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EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE SPEAKER

Fort Worth, Texas
Evangelist Hymen Appelman will be a featured speaker at the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, March 23-26 inclusive. This dynamic messenger will speak twice daily.



HYMAN APPELMAN

A GLORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT—AN UNPRECEDENTED APPEAL

Southern Baptists Fulfill Promise to Their British Brethren, and Unitedly Pledge Themselves to Meet Present Urgent World Needs

Reporting to the brotherhood on behalf of the Baptist World Emergency Committee, appointed by the Baltimore Convention to make the appeal to our people for a love offering of \$200,000 for the sorely distressed British Baptist Missionary Society in the dark days that befell our brethren of Britain in 1940, we are unspeakably happy to announce that a check went forward from Secretary Charles E. Maddry of our Foreign Mission Board a few days ago in the amount of \$6,085.80, which check brings our gifts to that altogether worthy cause to the full amount of \$200,000.

British Baptists have given, through their honored leaders, their overwhelming expressions of appreciation to Southern Baptists for this offering of love with which they have been able to carry on the historic and far-flung work of the oldest Baptist missionary society in the world. These leaders tell us that British Baptists were so strengthened and stimulated by our quick response to their emergency that they have themselves, in the face of their indescribable sufferings and privations come forward with gifts that can only be explained as sacrificial to a degree rarely witnessed in the annals of Christianity. Through wise and prayerful distribution of our gifts, together with their own sacrificial gifts, they have been enabled to extend the reach of our gifts far beyond any expectation. For this we give thanks evermore, praising our blessed Lord for the privilege of being permitted to share with them in saving their great missionary enterprise.

With this cherished task now so gloriously achieved, through the generous and gracious response of our people, made possible by the inspiring cooperation of our state and south-wide secretaries, our editors, our pastors, and all the estates of our beloved denomination; we turn now to give our prompt and grateful response to the unprecedented appeal which comes to Southern Baptists through our Foreign Mission Board for a sum of not less

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IMPORTANT

All pastors planning to attend the Evangelistic Conference at Clinton, Mississippi, March 23-26 should write immediately to D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary-Treasurer, so that he may contact the proper authorities for reservations for pastors during the conference period.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS Evangelistic Conference

Clinton, Mississippi, March 23-26, 1942

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GOALS FOR 1942

A Revival in Every Community in Mississippi.
Every Mississippi Baptist a Soul-Winner.
Study Classes Taught in Soul-Winning in Every Church.
Association-wide Revivals Held as an Extra.
Large Preparation Made for a Great Sweeping Statewide Evangelistic Effort in 1943 Following the Evangelistic Conference.

... PROGRAM ...

Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference

MONDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 P. M.—Songs From the Start
Prayer..... P. I. Lipsey
2:30 P. M.—Welcome and Message
..... James L. Sullivan
3:00 P. M.—Sunday School and Evangelism
..... E. C. Williams
3:20 P. M.—Home Missions Evangelism..... Percy Ray
3:40 P. M.—B. S. U. Evangelism..... Billy Watson
3:55 P. M.—Song
4:00 P. M.—Preaching Hour..... Aubert Dunn
5:00 P. M.—Recess

MONDAY EVENING

7:00 P. M.—Songs in the Evening
Prayer..... D. M. Nelson
7:20 P. M.—W. M. U. and Evangelism
..... Miss Fannie Traylor
Ivyloy Bishop
7:40 P. M.—Song
7:45 P. M.—Baptistry—Lovelace
Memorial—Dedication
8:15 P. M.—Warm Trails in Evangelism
..... Hyman Appelman
9:15 P. M.—Adjourn
9:30 P. M.—Special meeting of State Advisory Committee and Convention Board Committee—on Evangelism.

TUESDAY MORNING

H. L. MARTIN, Presiding
9:00 A. M.—Songs in the Morning
Prayer..... W. W. Kyzar
9:20 A. M.—New Testament Trails in Evangelism
..... E. F. Haight
10:10 A. M.—World Trails in Evangelism—Evangelism in South America
..... John R. Sampey
11:00 A. M.—Songs
11:10 A. M.—B. T. U. and Evangelism
..... Auber J. Wilds
11:30 A. M.—More Warm Trails in Evangelism
..... Hyman Appelman
12:30 Noon—Recess

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 P. M.—Songs for the Afternoon
Prayer..... C. S. Henderson
2:15 P. M.—Exploring in Evangelism..... E. F. Haight
3:15 P. M.—Song
3:20 P. M.—FATHER AND SON HOUR—
Brotherhood and Evangelism
..... Jno. Wm. McCall
An Emphasis in Evangelism
..... Duke K. McCall
4:30 P. M.—Recess
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MISSISSIPPI MISSIONARIES RETURN

Rev. and Mrs. John Allen Moore reached Miami, Florida, on Monday, February 16, and have been for a few days in Macon, Georgia, the home of Mrs.

Moore's parents, coming to Tupelo on Monday afternoon, February 22, where they are in the home of John Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moore. They left Lisbon on a Portuguese boat, sailing the 24th of January, coming by way of French Morocco in Africa. They stayed there for 12 days, and then came to Jamaica where they let off refugees who were sailing with them. These refugees, who had chartered the boat were mostly Jewish, and allowed Rev. and Mrs. Moore and Miss Ruby Daniel to take passage on the boat. There were 850 people on the boat which was supposed to carry some 400. The next stop was Cuba, where most of the passengers who were left, disembarked. Rev. Moore



REV. JOHN ALLEN MOORE

says that the three of them being able to secure passage and get across safely was a miracle when so many were waiting for passage home. Rev. and Mrs. Moore left Yugo-Slavia last May with the diplomatic corps when that country was over-run by the Nazis. They have been in Budapest with Miss Ruby Daniel since that time, leaving there with the diplomatic corps again and going to Lisbon.



MRS. JOHN ALLEN MOORE

It is reported that the Roy Starmers are still being held in Lisbon along with the American officials, but they cannot vouch for the authenticity of this. They were only allowed to bring along hand baggage and landed in the United States with all they were able to bring done up in bundles and a haversack. Bro. Moore was forced to leave his books, as well as not being allowed to bring other personal belongings. They had to give away a good deal of their clothing and did give it to an orphanage in Budapest and were able to sell some things.

Mrs. Moore is the former Pauline Willingham, of Macon, Georgia. She is a graduate of the W. M. U. Training School. Many Baptists will remember her uncle as the former Foreign Mission Secretary, R. J. Willingham.

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The Baptist Orphanage, under the direction of Supt. W. G. Mize, will have charge of the Gospel Radio Hour over Station WJDX next Sunday, March 8th, from 3:00 to 3:30. Will be glad for friends to listen in.

Sparks and Splinters

The new Baptist Junior Union Manual, by Ina E. Lambdin is one of the new methods books published by the Sunday School Board. The author has made use of three principal avenues of approach—the Junior's interest in asking questions, his delight in receiving letters, and his familiarity with the techniques of the work-book as used by school. The second section provides helps for the teacher, with detailed suggestions for teaching each chapter. Songs, stories and relaxation games are added for the help of the teacher with limited time and resource material at her command. The book is paper bound and sells for 25c.

For five successive years the conference on the Task of the Church in Community Building has been held at Blue Ridge, North Carolina, during the month of June. This year's convention will be held June 15-21. Dr. H. Paul Douglas will have an hour and a quarter each day to discuss the work of the church in the local community. E. T. Colton, who for 20 years has annually visited the European countries, has been invited to be present and discuss the present status of religion in Europe. A woman's section will discuss what the women of the churches may do to meet the emergency which is bound to arise in every community after the war. Dr. Robert Calhoun of Yale will have an hour each morning on the Intellectual Foundations of Our Faith. Dr. John Bennett of the Pacific School of Theology will have an hour every morning on the Social Implications of our Religious Beliefs. The vesper hour will be under the direction of Dr. Wm. J. Hutchins, former president of Berea College and now counselling director of the Danforth Foundation. There are no program fees and room and meals can be obtained for \$2.50 per day. Further information may be secured by writing Dr. W. D. Weatherford, Executive Director, Blue Ridge, North Carolina.

Bethany Church (Sunflower County) has recently had Brother John A. Farmer in a Sunday School Study Course. He taught Building A Standard Sunday School!—Mrs. J. D. Riley, Reporter.

Fifth Avenue Church, Hattiesburg: I hear from my people many expressions of appreciation of The Baptist Record. They are enjoying it very much.—J. E. Rouse, Pastor.

Crosby: The proposed army camp in this section will bring added responsibilities. Berwick, the other church I am serving, is located at one corner of the camp area. The camp will take the homes and lands of some of the members. It is expected that some will have to leave the community.—Virgil Ratcliff, Pastor.

West End Church, West Point: We tried a revival in the winter—and it worked. God's power was present, and in answer to prayer, to definite personal work and careful preparation, twenty-four were added to the church. The preacher was Brother E. D. Estes, State Mission Evangelist. His methods were sound and he knows the Gospel. West End members consist of employees of the Aponaug Manufacturing Co. A new roof has been placed on the church and the ceiling repaired. The interior of the church has been painted and we plan to build Sunday School rooms and remodel the front of the church, as well as paint the outside. There were 125 in Sunday School last Sunday, an all-time record. A B. T. U. is planned and the church has gone to the three-fourths time.

Toomsba Church, Lauderdale County, has gone from one-four time to one-half time preaching service. They have recently organized a Men's Brotherhood. During the week of February 22-26 Rev. C. S. Moulder conducted a Bible course in the morning and a Study Course in the evening. Miss Nannye David, County Missionary, taught the Intermediate Study Course.

Rev. T. J. Delaughter, who has been pastor at Woodville for several years, has been called to the First Baptist Church of Sulphur, Louisiana. He begins his work there March 1. We have known Brother Delaughter since beginning our work with The Record and have found him to be cooperative in every way. We regret to lose him from the fellowship of Mississippi pastors but congratulate Louisiana in getting one of our fine young men.

Mrs. James E. Gwatkin gave the first \$25.00 toward purchasing a new boiler for B. B. I., and also donated the stereopticon and slides used by the late Dr. Gwatkin.

Blue Mountain, Mississippi, Feb. 26—President Lawrence T. Lowrey has published the honor roll of Blue Mountain College for the first semester. Janie Mae White, Sumner, and Sue Vandiver, Grenada, tied for first place. Other students who attained the honor roll are: Sara Wallis, Ethel Jeanette Mommsen, Memphis, Tennessee; Jacqueline Silver, Des Moines, Iowa; Edith Ednton, Alamo, Tenn.; Martha Lynne Brame, Yazoo City; Lila Drewery, Chaiybeate; Estelle Griffin, Pontotoc; Jimmie McElwain, Jimmie Del Stubbs, Ripley; Lorraine Witt, Demarest, N. J.; Marion Dempsey, Lexington, Massachusetts; Cynthia Jo Hall, Eclectic, Ala.; Grace Bishop, Vernon, Ala.; Ethel Dawkins, Rosedale; Jane Majure, Newton; Mary Elizabeth Norris, West Point; June Russell, Philadelphia; Elizabeth Jacob, Franklin, Kentucky; Peggy Chastain, Lexington; Miriam Izard, New Hebron; Katherine Measells, Amory.

Fifth Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, is operating in 1942 under the largest budget in the history of the church. They have increased considerably the item for the Cooperative Program, put into the budget the EVERY FAMILY Plan, adopted the Ministers' Retirement Plan and raised the pastor's salary.

At the completion of the first semester's work at Southwest Junior College, Dr. J. B. Quin of the Bible Department awarded forty-five certificates to young men and women enrolled in his department. The certificates are given by the Educational Department of the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee.

Allowing \$25.00 per month for Christian workers, Baptist Bible Institute students last year did \$50,000.00 worth of free mission work.

Forest Church has called Rev. B. W. Walker as pastor. He has already begun his work but while repairs are being made on the parsonage his family will continue to live in Clinton.

Rev. C. A. Alexander has resigned the pastorate at Okolona. He was formerly pastor of Eighth Avenue Church at Meridian and came to Okolona from the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Dr. P. I. Lipsey has given to The Baptist Bible Institute 500 choice volumes from his own very valuable library.

The First Baptist Church, Shreveport, Dr. M. E. Dodd, pastor, having paid off all indebtedness during December has launched an expansion program by the purchase of an additional one hundred foot lot, adjoining the church property on which an educational building will be erected.

From the Chief of Chaplain's News Letter: "In the field. The pistol with holster will be worn by officers and warrant officers. It will not be worn by chaplains. It will be worn by officers of the Medical Department only when necessary for personal protection."—Army Regulation. "And the chaplains attached to armies shall be respected and protected under all circumstances. If they fall in the hands of the enemy, they shall not be treated as prisoners of war."—Geneva Convention. "The wearing of arms by an individual chaplain easily might be used by the enemy as an excuse for treating all chaplains as combatants and take away from them the privileges accorded them under the Geneva Convention. It is the desire of this office that all chaplains, as ministers of religion, maintain their non-combatant status."

From Pastors' Round Table (Northern Baptist). We would quote from a letter from Chaplain C. P. Newton, "I am convinced that the army never hurt a soldier who had the desire to have a good life. However, I know that church members can help to bolster him in his determination. They can, and ought to, invite him to their tables as well as to their pews; and he will appreciate the former more than the latter, because he can attend church services in camp any Sunday, and he will not miss his dinner afterwards. . . . A damp handshake and a few perfunctory remarks after morning services are a poor recommendation for the Kingdom of God. . . . By all means, recommend to pastors that they keep in touch by mail, or otherwise, with the men of their churches."

Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

"FARSIGHTED WISDOM"

When Dr. John A. Broadus was a pastor in Virginia, one of his deacons met him on Saturday and suggested that since the church was in debt for a building, he felt it would not be wise to press for foreign missions also. Dr. Broadus disagreed with the deacon's judgment. He went home and diligently prayed that God would help him prepare the best possible sermon to press the annual collection for foreign missions. A great collection resulted. The next Monday night the members of the church met at the pastor's home and brought money enough to cancel the entire debt of the church.

Whenever pastors lift and lengthen the vision of their people of the Christian cause, both far and near they will respond. Whenever a church is led to support the missionary causes, they will unflinchingly take care of the home needs. When missions are neglected, then home expenses have hard going.

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Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley, Director
Soldier Service and Defense Projects

Baptist churches and Sunday schools over the entire state should follow the Picayune Baptist plan as outlined in their letter published in last week's Baptist Record and send their offerings to Baptist headquarters at once for soldier work in our state. Prov. 1:14.

The W. M. U. at Pleasant Grove, and also at Crenshaw have sent offerings. Everywhere mothers' hearts yearn to do something for these boys in our Mississippi Training Camps. Christian mothers can always be counted on to do their part in every way. James 6:22.

At Biloxi, Gulfport, Hattiesburg and Columbus the popular games played by the service men are card, shuffleboard, dominoes, checkers, badminton and ping-pong. The First Baptist churches in each of these places provide recreation rooms in the church buildings for such purposes. And here is where we all have a chance to help. State gifts help provide.

Soldiers asking for service men's Testaments at Keesler Field are given one at the First Baptist Church at Biloxi, and as these gospels are presented a word of prayer is offered after which the soldier's name is written on the front page. The Judson Press furnished these Testaments free at the request of the church. Psalm 119:19.

Recently some of the men from the Jackson Air Base were entertained by the young people of the Griffith Memorial Baptist Church.

A chaplain at Pearl Harbor who found himself officiating at an anti-aircraft gun instead of an altar on that Sunday morning of the treacherous Jap attack was heard to shout, "Praise the Lord and pass the ammunition." Chaplains are preachers in service of God and country, and sometimes have to fight alongside our soldiers, sailors and marines.

Pray for those serving with General MacArthur and his men on the Bataan Peninsula. They probably have to load and fire guns at times, besides praying and ministering to the wounded and dying. Galatians 6:9-10.

—BR—

Hubby: "There is ten dollars, dear! Don't you think I deserve a little applause for giving it to you without being asked for it?"

Wife: "Applause! Why, darling, I think you deserve an encore!"

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR FOR MARCH

Evangelism.
Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, 23-26, inclusive.
Sunday School Missions.
B. T. U. Study Course Month.
Home Missions Week of Prayer—March 2-6.
Cooperative Program Emphasis.
Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.
March 8-13—Bolivar County B. T. U. Enlargement Campaign.
March 29, Home and Foreign Mission Day and Offering in Sunday School.
March 8-15, B. S. U. Cooperative Mission Week.
Arrange for delegates to State W. M. U. Convention April 7-9 at First Baptist Church, Meridian.

DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR FOR APRIL
By D. A. McCall

Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Evangelism.
Cooperative Program Causes.
B. T. U. Secretary Visits Associations
S. S. Training Course.
S. S. Convention, Brookhaven, 28, 29.
W. M. U. Convention, Meridian, 7-9.
Now Club Emphasis.
Associational Evangelism.
Vacation Bible Schools.
Christian Literature and Church Libraries.
Fellowship Offering.
Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.

The Radio Committee SBC announces Dr. C. Oscar Johnson of St. Louis as the Baptist Hour speaker for March 8, 15, and 22. His subject is to be "The State." All will agree with Chairman Lowe of the Radio Committee that his three messages on this vitally important subject will make a substantial contribution to the cause of Christ as well as to the nation in this confused time. Bro. Lowe appeals for wide publicity of his messages in the churches and through the channel of the local secular press. According to Bro. Lowe, "Fan mail received indicates that several million are in the audience of The Baptist Hour."

The first reservations for the Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, March 23-26, were twenty-two Clarke Memorial College ministerial students. Their names are as follows: W. B. Hataway, L. C. Hoff, Donald Bennett, B. B. McPheeters, Ray Megginson, Elton Moore, Bobby McDonald, Curtis James, James E. Drane, L. D. Clark, Buin Spain, A. R. Smith, G. H. Hudson, Alford Jones, Lewis Wells, Butler Smith, Gurney Beam, L. O. Dewease, J. W. Burnett, Aubrey Jackson, Charles Bryant and Elgin West.

THE BAPTIST HOUR

Every Sunday Morning
7:30-8:00 Central Standard War Time

February 22—Dr. Pat M. Neff
"CHRISTIAN EDUCATION"

MARCH 8, 15, 22
Dr. C. Oscar Johnson
THE STATE

March 29—Dr. George W. Truett
"OUR ADEQUATE AND ABIDING GOSPEL"

STATION	ON YOUR DIAL	CITY
KWKH	1130	Shreveport, La.
WBRC	960	Birmingham, Ala.
WHAS	840	Louisville, Ky.
WREC	600	Memphis, Tenn.
WSB	750	Atlanta, Ga.
WSLI	1450	Jackson, Miss.
WSM	650	Nashville, Tenn.

AND MANY OTHER STATIONS

Note—The government adopted the new time to help win the war. The Baptist Hour thus operates on "War Time," giving the broadcasts every Sunday morning at 8:30 Eastern War Time. (Same hour on your clock as heretofore.)

PROGRAM

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TUESDAY EVENING

7:00 P. M.—Songs of the Heart
Prayer.....J. P. Kirkland
7:20 P. M.—More World Evangelism—Evangelizing in China.....John R. Sampey
8:20—Songs
8:30 P. M.—Warmer Trails in Evangelism
.....Hyman Appelman
9:30 P. M.—Adjourn
Prayer Meetings.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

JAMES B. LEAVELL, Presiding
9:00 A. M.—Starting Afresh Singing
Prayer.....Reese Rogers
9:20 A. M.—Other New Testament Trails in Evangelism.....E. F. Haight
10:10 A. M.—Evangelism Closer Home—Preaching in College Chapels.....John R. Sampey
11:00 A. M.—Songs
11:10 A. M.—Defense and Evangelism—Fred R. Langley, presiding; J. D. Franks, N. W. Cox, G. C. Hodge, M. E. Perry (5 min. each)
11:30 A. M.—No Hedging on Evangelism
.....Hyman Appelman
12:30 Noon—Recess

WEDNESDAY ATERNOON

JUDSON CHASTIAN, Presiding
2:00 P. M.—Songs of the Soul
Prayer.....J. S. Riser
2:15 P. M.—Making Plans in Evangelism
.....E. F. Haight
3:15 P. M.—Song
3:20 P. M.—Baptist Record and Evangelism
.....A. L. Goodrich
3:35 P. M.—FATHER AND SON HOUR—
Madison Flowers
J. B. Flowers
4:35 P. M.—Recess

WEDNESDAY EVENING

HOWARD SPELL, Presiding
7:00 P. M.—Singing His Story
Prayer.....John D. Davis
7:20 P. M.—Building an Evangelistic Meeting on One Book.....John R. Sampey
8:20 P. M.—Songs
8:30 P. M.—Pour Out Your Spirit in Evangelistic Fervor.....Hyman Appelman
9:30 P. M.—Adjourn
Prayer Meetings

THURSDAY MORNING

A. C. PARKER, Presiding
9:00 A. M.—Have a Part—Sing!
Prayer.....Mark Lowry
9:20 A. M.—Still Walking New Testament Evangelistic Trails.....E. F. Haight
10:10 A. M.—The Pastor Conducting His Own Meeting.....John R. Sampey
11:00 A. M.—Songs
11:10 A. M.—Rural Evangelism.....E. D. Estes
11:25 A. M.—Follow-After Evangelism
.....Hyman Appelman
12:25 Noon—Recess

THURSDAY ATERNOON

A. S. JOHNSTON, Presiding
2:00 P. M.—Singing For Him
Prayer.....T. D. Brown
2:15 P. M.—Evangelistic Music
.....C. E. Patch—O. P. Estes
3:45 P. M.—Preaching Hour.....M. S. Varnado
4:45 P. M.—Adjourn

THURSDAY EVENING

7:00 P. M.—Songs of Faith
Prayer.....Frank Powell
7:20 P. M.—Facing Eastward.....L. G. Gates
8:20 P. M.—Songs
8:30 P. M.—His Testimony.....Hyman Appelman
9:30 P. M.—

GO TELL HIS STORY NOW!

NOTES

The Director of Evangelism will preside at Ses-

25 YEARS AGO

Rev. A. A. Walker of Water Valley is assisting Pastor J. H. Lane in a meeting at East McComb.

Missionary J. G. Chastain has recently established a self-sustaining Mexican mission in Houston, Texas. These Mexicans are poor, and some of them are out of work, yet this little congregation recently gave \$15.00 to Christian Education. Washer women gave as much as \$2.00 each; children gave twenty-five cents apiece.

Brother N. L. Pierce writes that J. J. Cates has accepted the work at Woodville, Dry Fork Union and Pine Ear.

We hear that Pastor J. V. Leavell has resigned from his church at Oxford and is planning the organization of a down-town church in Birmingham, Ala.

Dr. W. A. McComb has resigned as official representative of the Memphis Hospital, to be effective not later than April 30th.

Brother T. J. Moore gives a good account of his enlistment work in various churches over the state.

Rev. Finley W. Tinnin, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Natchez, writes to commend the Budget System and Every Member canvas, which has recently been installed in his church by Rev. T. J. Moore. He says, "we are entirely out of debt, a new thing for this church. The pastor's salary is paid promptly every month; a thing that has not been done here for many generations."

CHURCH HONORS PASTOR C. C. JONES ON HIS ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY

On the first Sunday morning in February the deacons, Sunday school and choir of the Mendenhall Baptist church took charge of the service and with the talented young people, rendered a very beautiful and inspiring service of vocal and instrumental music, which was dedicated to Pastor C. C. Jones. At the close of the service Prof. Vernon May, the superintendent of the Sunday school, presented the pastor with fifty dollars, as a token of the church's appreciation of the pastor's long and faithful service.

sions not otherwise provided for.

Fred Scholfield will be in charge of all Song services.

Meals are served at the College Cafeteria at 35c per meal, or \$1.00 per day.

Overnight entertainment provided for pastors free of charge by the townspeople of Clinton and vicinity.

All Mississippi Baptist Pastors are urged to attend the full session of the Conference.

Large delegations from churches in close proximity to Clinton should drive in for the various sessions.

For further information write:

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Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi

1942 Mississippi Baptist Advisory Evangelistic Committee: Pastors H. L. Martin, Senatobia; Judson Chastain, Lexington; A. C. Parker, Petal; A. S. Johnston, Jackson, and James B. Leavell, Leland.

1942 Convention Board (appointed) Evangelistic Committee: Pastors: D. T. Cranford, Charleston; W. L. Compere, Belzoni; W. L. Meadows, Quitman; L. W. Ferrell, Jackson; F. B. Bookter, McComb; W. A. Sullivan, Natchez; L. E. Greene, Pascagoula; F. K. Horton, Columbia, and G. O. Parker, Magee. F. M. Purser, Oxford.

Presiding officers will conserve the time of Conference. Speakers will be courteously Christian at this point. Those who testify will pour their very soul into the testimony. All will join in the praying and singing. Let us covenant to plead with God for great hours.

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PASTORS' SALARIES HAVE BEEN REDUCED

Many Mississippi churches have unintentionally permitted their pastor's salary to be reduced. This was not done because of dissatisfaction with the pastor nor because of decreased church income, but because the price of almost everything is now more than it was a year ago.

We checked prices at a grocery store a few days ago. Any average bill of goods consisting of staple groceries and a few fancy items, would cost \$4.63. A year ago these same items would have cost only \$2.69. This is an increase of 72%.

Clothing is also up, though not quite so much. For instance, in a low priced store a shirt, a pair of socks, a necktie and a suit would cost today \$19.74. One year ago the same goods sold for \$16.94. This is an increase of approximately 16½%.

A small quarter-time church that paid \$20.00 last year is paying the same this year. But if last year that pastor spent \$10.00 of that \$20.00 for groceries, he finds that this year to buy the same groceries he must spend \$15.00, or more, of that \$20.00 to buy groceries that cost only \$10.00 last year.

If he used \$10.00 for clothing, this year he must have \$11.65 for the same clothing.

A salary of two hundred dollars a month a year ago is worth approximately \$150.00 at present prices.

Unless there are extraordinary circumstances, churches should increase their pastors' salaries AT LEAST in proportion to the increase in the things he must buy.

This is simple justice.

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HOW TO LIVE A LONG TIME

This article does not propose to set forth the virtues of any so-called food fads, nor is it concerned with the value of Vitamins A to Z. It will also steer clear of the Daily Dozen, or thirteen.

In a recent issue of the Record in the article entitled "Noble Examples," which was written by Dr. D. M. Nelson, there were four examples of men and women who have made arrangements to keep on living here on this earth a long time after their friends have heard at their graveside the sorrowful words, "Earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust." We offer the deeds of these as examples well worthy to be followed by others. There are many people in Mississippi that could and should set aside sums of money, some large and some small, the interest on which could be used for some specific purpose.

A woman recently left \$10,000 to the Baptist Orphanage (and large sums to other causes). Though her body is buried within the earth and he work on earth is finished, she will continue to live as the money she gave helps to make noble men and women out of boys and girls that might otherwise grift into lives of sin, shame and uselessness.

People who have given money to our educational institutions have or will die. But through their gifts these institutions will continue to produce better men and better women.

We have to die but we can keep on helping to make better men and women.

Any of the many objects supported by Mississippi Baptists could use money set aside in such a way, and then in the years to come, even in the years after the donor had passed away from this earth, their money would continue to help and to bless.

—BR—

WILL GOD'S PEOPLE PLAY FAIR?

Last Sunday's papers carried the following International News Service Press dispatch:

"Washington, Feb. 28—(INS)—The agriculture department today announced that the cash in-

come of the nation's farmers for 1941 stood at its highest point in the last two decades.

"Greatest increases in income were in Mississippi where income from farm marketings was 98 higher in 1941 than in 1940."

In a divinely inspired letter written by the Apostle Paul hundreds of years ago, we also read an important item. It read as follows: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gathering when I come." I Corinthians 16:2.

Not only is the income of Mississippi farmers greater than it has been for twenty years, but the income of most others is also greater.

And just as Jesus stood over against the treasury watching, so is He watching Mississippi Baptists. If your income is up, your contributions should be increased. If you make more you should give more.

Many Mississippians are going to have things happen to them because they continue to give not "as God hath prospered" but as they did on one-half their present income. And in some way they will have to settle with God.

Play fair with God. If your income increases, increase your giving. Just a small part of the increased 1941 income of Mississippi Baptists would pay our bonded debt not in three years as the Now Club plans, but NOW.

"He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly."

How will you reap?

—BR—

AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO A GOOD DEED

In an article about one of our own Mississippi missionaries and his wife, on page 1, we learn that they were not permitted to bring their books with them when they left Yugo-Slavia. All of us know how preachers need books. Let's see that he has some.

We are sending him a book today. Every preacher in Mississippi could do the same. Look around, and send Rev. John Allen Moore, Tupelo, Mississippi, one of your books. You won't miss one, and one each from many of you will help to replace some of those he was forced to leave behind, probably never to see again.

OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

"WINTER AND WANT WON'T WAIT"

Often the victory of a great cause is bound up in one timely and suggestive watchword or slogan. The one quoted above was coined by Missionary John W. Lowe, and it expresses the sorrow and suffering of his own Christlike soul as he contemplates the unspeakable condition of his beloved Chinese in the occupied areas of China.

Four and one-half years of Japanese pillage, rape and robbery have left one-third of China stripped of food and clothing. A hundred million Chinese are threatened with slow starvation and half of them will perish, unless America, in her plenty and luxury, extends a quick and generous hand. We have made a good beginning in our gifts for relief, but it is only a beginning. The vast majority of our churches have not yet taken an offering and multitudes of our Baptist people have not yet given a cent to help save China's starving people.

Then throughout southeastern Europe, the nations overrun by Germany have been robbed and plundered of food and warm clothing and fuel, and before spring comes multitudes will die of hunger and cold unless America and her people help them. England can do nothing, and a broken, hungry, dying world is looking to Christian America for succor and relief in this the most heartbreaking and tragic hour the world has seen in two thousand years.

We pray God that the Baptists of the South will be great and generous and Christlike in this testing hour. Never, in all our history as a denomination, have we faced such a crucial and testing hour as confronts us today. What would Jesus do if He were walking in human form through these war-crushed lands, and seeing on every hand the millions perishing with hunger and cold? We know

Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

LET'S PAY OUR DEBTS

J. W. Lee

God wants, and expects us, to pay our debts because He has commanded us to "owe no man anything but to love one another."

He may not have led us to make debts in His name, but since we did it, He wants us to keep our promise to those who trusted us.

Everyone who bought our bonds had confidence in the willingness, purpose and the ability of Mississippi Baptists to returned borrowed money. Not to return the money will be a betrayal of confidence. There is no one of us who wants to betray confidence.

Common honesty demands that we pay our honest debts. We have no just claims to honesty unless we reach the limit of our ability to pay our own debts. More preachers have lost their influence by not paying their debts than from any other one course. Our convention debts were incurred mostly by the vote of preachers.

A preacher is as much obligated to help pay a debt he voted to incur as he is to pay his own personal obligations.

The reputation of Mississippi is at stake. We had a good reputation, otherwise the public would not have purchased our bonds.

Shall we retain our reputation by redeeming our bonds at full value or shall we lose it by not redeeming them? There should be but one answer. A Baptist convention is the most democratic (majority rule) body on earth except a Baptist church. Our Mississippi Baptist Convention authorized the different bond issues by an overwhelming majority vote. There was never a negative vote cast in authorizing our several agencies to borrow money, by bond issue or otherwise, until a campaign under the leadership of Dr. L. T. Lowry failed to secure hardly half enough to pay the debts then due. After that there was a small minority who opposed borrowing another penny. I belong to that small group.

But my expressed opposition does not absolve me from the obligation to help pay the debts.

It only absolves me from the responsibility of having voted to make them.

If I do my liberal share of paying the debts and my brethren of the convention fail to do their part and our debts go unpaid in part I shall feel that my responsibility to God and to our creditors has been discharged but my pride as a Mississippi Baptist will be terribly wounded.

In saying this I feel sure that I am expressing the feeling of every member of my small group.

A PLEA TO THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY.

On you rests the responsibility of having authorized these large debts. That responsibility carries with it the solemn obligation of doing your full share in paying them. I do not need to remind you that these debts are greatly retarding our progress in promoting our Redeemer's cause in every field of our endeavor. A dog would make slow speed in a chase if he had a block chained to his neck. Our debts are weights about our neck.

They are not only hindering our progress, but they are destroying our morale. Out of love to God and the Cause of Christ, let's pay them.

that He would say to us: "Give ye them to eat." He would take our gifts and multiply and enlarge them, until the hungry millions were fed.

God Almighty has brought us to a great and testing hour. He wants to use us for a mighty and challenging task. Shall we let Him use us?

If not, God pity us!

In this hour of sorrow and tragedy for so many millions of helpless ones dying of hunger and cold, the words of Mordecai to Esther come as a clarion call and a ringing challenge to Southern Baptists:

"If thou altogether holdest thy peace at this time, then shall there enlargement and deliverance arise from . . . another place; but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed: and who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"—The Commission.

Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

"A good thing to remember,
And a better thing to do,
Is — work with the construction gang,
Not with the wreckin' crew."

I

A fine spirited congregation greeted us at Sledge. Pastor R. W. Porter is happy in the work with them. (They have put the Now Club in the budget.)

In the evening we were at Phillip. The house was filled. Great group of young people. Fifteen lost persons asked for prayer.

Enjoyed the hospitality of two fine homes during the day. Brother Young and Brother Stubbs, respectively.

Ran by to see Dr. B. Frank Smith, Lyon. Work goes well and he is now laboring with the decision as to changing fields. It will be rendered before you read this.

Also, spoke to Dr. J. A. Stewart, Clarksdale. Had already heard of the great reception given by the Clarksdale church. Tremendous congregations attending services.

II

The people of Belzoni are happy under the leadership of Pastor Wm. L. Compere. The church is making progress along many lines. Many young people were in the service. We were happy to witness in two services. Isaiah 43:10, 12. 44:8.

III

With Brother Fred R. Langley, and at the request of some of the local brethren, we visited the Camp Shelby and Camp Keesler areas.

We found very well equipped quarters for our soldier work, at First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, M. E. Perry in charge. The same is true at First Church, Biloxi, Miss Pickering hostess. Very good programs are being planned.

Pastors T. D. Brown, G. C. Hodge, H. T. Brookshire, and others at the various points are giving good cooperation.

We also ran by Laurel to have a word with some of the brethren regarding Brotherhood work.

Then, we ran over to Pass Christian for a visit with Pastor Allen. Baptists have a very nice building there. In part, the fruit of State Missions.

We wish we had more time for visitation.

The prayer service at Gulfport was worshipful.

IV

Superintendent C. E. Russell took up \$5 for the soldiers work at Hickory Ridge, Rankin County.

A 1942 PLAN OF ACTION

We were thinking about what Mississippi Baptists have done, and what Mississippi Baptists are capable of doing.

It seems we are "finding ourselves" again! We are "hitting our stride."

Of course there is nothing official about it, but the following schedule suggests a substantial increase to every cause:

	What we did in 1940	What we did in 1941	What we could do in 1942
Cooperative Program	\$118,266.14	\$132,401.88	\$200,000.00
Designated:			
100M Club	\$ 6,492.97	8,094.96	35,000.00
State Missions	18,645.47	27,398.47	50,000.00
Foreign Missions	25,877.45	23,068.71	50,000.00
Home and Foreign Missions	2,229.71	2,865.14	10,000.00
Home Missions	12,355.99	15,293.45	30,000.00
Hospitals	85.48	50.04	11,000.00
Now Club	37,448.36	76,737.35	150,000.00
Orphanage	12,716.77	13,738.17	50,000.00
Aged Ministers	494.95	358.89	1,500.00
Soldier Fund		4,774.79	25,000.00
Radio Hour		760.34	1,500.00
Other Items	23,224.70	48,773.79	86,000.00
	\$257,837.99	\$354,315.98	\$700,000.00

If Mississippi Baptists gave the \$700,000 suggested it would be \$5.09 more than we have ever given.

IT CAN BE DONE!

Pastor A. W. Talbert, always alert said, "Now, I will add \$5 to that."

Tangipahoa Church also raised their \$5 for this work. A. W. Talbert is pastor there. Felix Bearden is Sunday school superintendent.

V

During 1941 we learn, there were 12,000 conversions in Vacation Bible schools. That work is sponsored by the State Mission Boards, and the Sunday School Board. This is some more soul-winning evangelism that delights the hearts of lovers of the Lord Jesus. Think of it! Twelve thousand precious boys and girls won to Christ, and making the fact known!

VI

We believe some of the confusion that seems a usual part of pastoral aid appropriations, is largely because of late arrival of applications. This year many came in at the Board meeting. If the Board fixed December 1 as the latest date for receiving applications, they might be catalogued and submitted in order.

VII

Now that we are at war with an enemy country we consider men as loyal or disloyal. They are for the U. S. A., or against the U. S. A. We want men to prove their allegiance by their words and works. We quickly suspect a person whose words are questionable.

War was declared a long time ago between heaven and hell, between good and evil, between God and the devil. Isa. 14:12-17. Rev. 12:7-12. Gen. 3:1-19.

Jesus expects men to take a stand, so He says "He that is not with me is against me. He that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad." Matt. 12:30.

"No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other: or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other." Matt. 6:24.

If we are for Jesus, we are for His Bride—his Church! If we are for Jesus, we are for the fruit of His hands—His work!

VIII

Soul-Winning

"For the tree is known by his fruit." Matt. 12:33e.

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Matt. 4:19.

How much of our denominational program is decidedly evangelistic? That is not a bad stock-taking question.

Foreign Missions: Our 500 foreign missionaries won to Christ and baptized 18,000 persons last year. That IS evangelism! Much preaching, teaching, and other work was done that will bear fruit in later years.

Home Missions: Our 400 Home Board missionaries won to Christ and baptized 9,000 persons last year! That IS soul-winning! Other work was done that will bear fruit later.

State Missions: Our two evangelists last year witnessed

some 700 persons confessing Christ, joining the church by letter or through baptism.

In addition, our State Mission pastors in one year witnessed for Christ in bringing 1,000 persons to Christ, and church membership.

Mississippi Baptists are helping train Negro preachers in two Seminaries. These colored pastors go out to win others to Christ.

We help with the Indian work and a few of them confess Christ as Saviour and Lord each year.

Several Baptist Student Union workers receive part or full support through Mississippi Baptist contributions. (Cooperative program, or state missions.) The B. S. U. folks are among the greatest evangelists we know. Groups of them tour our State each summer in soul-stirring revivals.

All this IS evangelism!

Preachers, missionaries and other church workers are taught, helped and trained in our Christian Colleges and Seminaries. They helped win 245,000 persons to Christ in the South last year, and 13,000 of this number were in Mississippi. That IS evangelism.

There is an evangelistic emphasis in our work at the Orphanage and Hospital. The Baptist Record is evangelistic. The W. M. U. in the auxiliary camp won over 100 boys and girls to Christ last year. It is a well known fact that the majority of people converted these days come through the Sunday School. The Baptist Training Union positively fits us for standing beside a lost person and presenting Christ to Him as Saviour. The Brotherhood is a great agency in enlisting men for Christ and His work. In 1941 over 12,000 boys and girls were converted in Vacation Bible School. Evangelism!

Missionaries, church secretaries, and pastors' wives have passed through the Training School. What soul-winners many of them are!

"By their fruits they are known."

"God said—the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind." Gen. 1:11.

"And the herb yielding seed after his kind." Gen. 1:12.

"And every winged fowl after his kind." Gen. 1:21.

"And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind." Gen. 1:24.

Yes, and Christians bring forth according to their kind. Matt. 13:23.

IX

We feel sure all of our people are conversant with the proposed Relief Offering to be taken in April. The Southwide goal is \$300,000. The Mississippi goal is \$11,000. In the words of Dr. Maddy: "This money is to go to the relief of suffering, starving humanity in the war ravaged lands in Europe and Asia."

Mississippi Baptists are planning to participate in this offering. Send all monies through your Jackson office. We will be glad to forward it.

X

A long time ago, Moses wrote as he received it of God Almighty:

"Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy.

"Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work:

"But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates:

"For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it." Ex. 20:8-11.

It was given to a group of Israelites fighting men (soldiers) along with others! Soldiers are helped by observing the truth and power of it!

Even a Mississippi legislature, or a U. S. A. Congress, or a President cannot change the fundamentals of God Almighty!

What fools! Trying to win a war on booze, sabbath desecration, gambling, lust, and what not!

XI

—BR—

Old Colored Mammy: "I wants a ticket for Magnolia."

Ticket agent (after ten minutes of weary thumbing through Russell's Guide): "Where is Magnolia?"

Old Colored Mammy: "She's settin' over dar on de bench."

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

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The Nerve Center of World Missions

Anyone visiting the rooms of the Foreign Mission Board during these unpredictable and distressing days, will be impressed with the amazing amount of activity going on at every moment. The mails, the telegraph wires, and the cable lines from all parts of the world are kept busy as news arrives in an endless stream. Here Dr. Charles E. Maddry, our executive secretary, and his staff, with God's help, seek to meet the needs, solve the problems, and plan the missionary strategy of the hour. A wire from the State Department brings the latest news from the Orient as the Board tries in every possible way to communicate with our heroic missionaries in occupied China; a cable from Free China indicates that the way is open for the meeting of tremendous physical and spiritual needs; an emergency called meeting of the Board gives authority to transmit funds; good news comes through that it will be possible to evacuate some of our missionaries from Europe's war zones; Dr. George Sadler makes a hurried trip to Washington to confer with the restrictions on sending new missionaries to Brazil; calls are coming in for special speakers; plans are under way to launch a great south-wide war emergency relief movement; missionaries on furlough come in for conference—all this and more is part of the daily routine. This is, in truth, the nerve center of world missions, throbbing with activity and life where each day presents new problems, where the distress of human hearts, the cry of lost souls around the world fills the heart and taxes the mind.

At ten o'clock each day the entire staff and office force meet in Dr. Maddry's office for devotion and meditation. Here we are carried to the throne of grace as God's Word is read and hearts are lifted in prayer. When every hour brings news of shifting fronts and changing conditions, we are brought face to face with the never-changing Christ. Here we are again made conscious of His presence, His power and His promises. Like a glorious light against the midnight darkness of contemporary events, the majestic phrases of the Psalmist shine luminous. "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble; therefore will not we fear," and "He shall not be afraid of evil tidings, his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord." Here on the wings of prayer we remember our denomination, our people and our pastors, whose loyalty and gifts and prayers have made this great missionary enterprise possible; here we remember our missionaries on the far-flung battle lines, and those families that are now separated by the war; here we pray for on another to be given grace and strength for the duties and responsibilities of the day; here we remember our nations and those in places of authority whose decisions will determine the destiny of nations and the lives of millions; here we pray for a just peace and for that day when "the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

While some doors are temporarily closed, others are wide open. A cable from South America reads: "Opportunities never brighter." This is no time for gloom and defeatism. This is the day to demonstrate to the world that we follow a conquering Christ, who in the darkest hour of all history, on the eve of His crucifixion, cried out to His discouraged and despondent followers: "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

EVERETT GILL, JR.

(Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., is the Foreign Mission Board's newly appointed Secretary for Latin America, with his headquarters at the Foreign Mission Board, in Richmond, Va.)

"Remember Pearl Harbor"

The effort to make a fighting slogan of that phrase does not seem to be succeeding. How should it, in the sense intended? Yet, if taken in the true

meaning of that terrible disaster, and taken to heart by Americans generally, that may well be the slogan that will enable us to win the war and make it well for the world that we win it. Up to the time of the Pearl Harbor tragedy we were not fit to win, and it cannot yet be said that we are fit. For who wins the war must master the peace—master it for humanity, for righteousness, for the Kingdom of God; or else the winning will be losing.

If we shall all "remember Pearl Harbor" in shame and repentance; if the nation will sober up and recover its ideals, personal, social, and national, then may we hope to be fit to win. The Pearl Harbor tragedy may be made a turning point in our nation's spiritual history. Thereby it may be made a turning point in world history. But we must know that the military disaster was only a symbol of our spiritual degeneracy, and that not primarily in the navy and the army, but in the people. Unless we learn that lesson we are doomed. A nation bent on pleasure and fleshly indulgence cannot provide or deserve a winning army and navy.

DR. W. O. CARVER.

Wei Shih, Near Kaifeng,
Honan, China,
October 6, 1941

Dear Friends and Prayer-Partners:

When you receive this via our beloved W. M. U. headquarters office it will probably be time to say HAPPY CHRISTMAS! May the joy of the Lord fill your heart and remain with you throughout the coming year. His light and truth will lead you and He will be your "exceeding joy"; for "light is sown for the righteous and gladness for the upright in heart."

Truly "The Light of the World is Jesus." His light is penetrating even into the dark corners of this great land. Recently I visited three such places. The town of Hwang Chieh was formerly a bandit stronghold. Since some have seen the light and trusted Christ for salvation a convert has loaned a nice brick building for use as a chapel. A wicked person posted a notice that trouble would ensue if the evangelist remained in the town. The Christians prayed, the Lord heard and the sinner subsided. While I was there the house and yard were too small for the crowd. A large threshing floor was used for several days. The Bible woman helped to take down and burn a number of false gods. The evangelist and Bible woman are both refugee workers supported by special gifts.

Twenty years ago there were only three women members of the church here. During this year 195 have been baptized. Of this number 164 are women. One of the charter members, Mrs. Chu, still loves the Lord and, although blind and aged, holds regular Wednesday meetings in her village home. She can repeat many precious passages from God's Word and can sing countless choruses and hymns of praise. While praying for direction regarding the day's work I was definitely impressed one morning to go to the village of this dear sister and carry her a small gift. Upon receiving the gift she happily exclaimed, "The Lord heard my prayer. Since my husband died and I lost my sight I sometimes have no food but the Lord does not let His servant suffer." That day the service was held under shade trees in the yard and a large group of Mrs. Chu's neighbors listened attentively while we talked of Jesus and His power to save. This faithful saint is indeed letting her light shine for Jesus and winning others to Him.

We went to a small village where there were two or three believers. One of them gave her heart to the Lord and dedicated her life for service. She carried the light to Ma Chieh, her sister's village. Her sister became deeply interested and gave a house for worship and another for a residence. An evangelist, who is a refugee, lives there with his

family and the work is growing admirably. About 100 attended our revival meeting there. Twelve were baptized. Three women, including the evangelist's wife, can read. They serve as officers of the Woman's Missionary Society. They also have a Sunday school with three classes and a Sunbeam Band.

At present our Mission Compound here is filled with frightened people for the battle-front is quite near us on this side the river. The roar of cannon sounds ominous. About a thousand of our neighbors have come with their bedding and belongings. They sleep on mats all over the place, the women and children in one yard and the men and boys in another. We have two meetings a day for them with special talks to the children. I pray that many may be saved.

A few weeks ago while four of us were sleeping on the "Hill of Zion" in our lovely little rest-home, six midnight callers came in search of money. At the point of a pistol they carried away all they could find with quilts and clothing of my cook and co-workers. While they were looking under the corners of my bed I asked them where they lived and invited them to come to church. They replied very politely for bandits. Next day the chief magistrate came with his secretary and assistants. They have since made several visits. These interviews have been used for witnessing and each guest has been presented a Bible. Several have joined a Bible class.

The Lord is graciously providing for our needs. The treasury has thrice been empty but each time a special gift has come to prevent our 200 refugees from going hungry. If we seek first His Kingdom and righteousness "all these things shall be added."

With loving greetings and hearty thanks to each co-worker and prayer-partner,

Gratefully yours in Christ's service,

ADDIE ESTELLE COX.

—BR—

Brewers Get Tires, Defense Workers Do Not!

Mr. Maurice F. Neufeld, director of the New York State Bureau of Rationing, in reply to some of the county tire rationing boards, with reference to several questions asked is replying as follows: "At the present time, according to Federal instructions, factory workers who drive their own cars or who club together and drive one car are not in the exempted classes eligible for tire certificates. The answer to your first question is, therefore, no. The brewery trucks delivering beer to retail outlets will be allowed to get tires. Trucks used by retail grocery stores to make home deliveries will not be allowed to get tires." The above amazing statement should startle the whole State. Defense workers cannot get tires when their old ones wear out, brewery trucks can. "On what doth our Caesar feed that he hath grown so great?" Why this remarkable favoritism to the brewers? Brewery trucks can get tires to deliver their alcoholic beverages to rob and curse the people, but grocers who feed the people the food they need, cannot get new tires! We presume they will have to buy horses and start the old horse and wagon system of long ago because beer is more important than bread in the estimation of the state tire rationing director.

The publication of all religious papers has been stopped in Germany by Hitler. The churches are suffering because of this lack of a means of communication. What a loud protest would be heard in America if our government would prohibit the printing of religious papers! Church members who order their church papers stopped are just as effectively killing them as if a government order went out for the same purpose. Religious papers cannot continue to be printed when people stop them in order to buy high priced daily papers and story magazines.—Iowa Baptist Record.

THE NOW CALL

BY L. G. GATES
Pastor, First Baptist Church, Laurel

"If my people which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."—II Chron. 7:14.

Up to this point, we Americans have enjoyed the privileges of liberty, as if it were a gift from the gods, and as if we deserved it by virtue of what we are, without thinking what these privileges have



DR. L. G. GATES

cost in sweat, tears and blood. We have taken all these blessings as a matter of fact, little thinking that this generation would be called upon to duplicate the blood, sweat and tears of the years preceding us. . . . SURELY THE JUDGMENT OF NATIONS HAS ARRIVED.

Many of us have read and re-read the 25th chapter of Matthew, the judgment of the nations, thinking of it as some far-away mystical event, little dreaming that it would come in our day, little dreaming that the governments of earth would be weighed in the balance of divine justice . . . weighed and found wanting. I wish every citizen in the U. S. and every lover of human liberty throughout the world could have heard the recent speech of our president, "The State of the Union." It was a masterly address delivered by a master. It expressed the feeling of true Americans everywhere as well as the feelings of all liberty loving peoples of earth.

The shift we have had to make since December 7th, 1941, has clarified the atmosphere and unified our people.

I am thoroughly cognizant of the fact that there is little I can do in the political, military and economic side of this titanic struggle, but I thank God, that little is cheerfully and loyally done.

I am also cognizant that the social and spiritual sides of this struggle are the largest sides, and that as a Christian and a Christian leader, I must do my part.

In the sermon of this morning, I undertook to get you to see that Americans needed God. . . . A consciousness of God, which means, not only making God a matter of mind and thought, but a matter of conscience, rather than a matter of convenience.

During the dark days of our civil strife, someone asked President Lincoln on which side is God? He replied by saying, that is not the question, the question is, "WHO IS ON GOD'S SIDE?"

Surely God has a side in this struggle, God has always had a side, the side of RIGHT, JUSTICE and the side of freedom.

Surely this side is represented somewhere today. . . . Surely no Christian can argue that these virtues have been lost in the shadow of the world's darkness. . . . If these principles are here, they are worth incarnating, they are worth defending, they are worth preserving, whatever be the price we have to pay. The call has come. . . .

What is the NOW call?
The POLITICAL call is for patriotism.
The MILITARY call is for men and materials.
The ECONOMIC call is for money and more money.

The SPIRITUAL call is "BACK TO GOD."
As a nation we have grown calloused, careless

and indifferent to the things of God . . . LUXURY, MASS IMMORALITY, WORLDLY PLEASURES, DRUNKENNESS, UNBELIEF AND INDIFFERENCE have paralyzed us. We have gone a long way from God. . . . We have gone a long way from the ideals of the founders of this republic. . . . We called the backslide BROADNESS, LIBERALISM, HUMANISM, RATIONALISM, and MODERNISM. . . . While these terms salved our consciences, they paralyzed our souls, leaving us not godless, but ungodly. In our smug and selfish complacency, it has been hard for us to see the necessity of being on God's side. It is hard for us to see NOW that unless we are on God's side we are doomed for destruction. We have been relying on the political, economic and military side of our nation for victory, thinking we can go on in our sins, defying the laws of God and be victorious. . . . May it soon dawn upon us and our leaders, that victory will not come by these alone nor by a combination of these. VICTORY IS OF THE LORD. . . .

As we look back upon 1918 . . . No victory was won, only an armistice for the preparation of a total war.

In the beginning of World War No. 1, NO GOD.

In the prosecution of World War No. 1, NO GOD.

At the conclusion of World War No. 1, NO GOD.

When President Wilson at the Treaty of Versailles intimated God, he was laughed to scorn over there and spurned and crucified politically over here.

I am grateful, that in the beginning of this total war (and it is just in the beginning) we have two men, outstanding men, Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill, who are seeking to know God's will who are convinced that unless we are on God's side we cannot win. To say the least, our leaders are religious they still believe in the God of the Bible they still worship God. . . . They have behind them millions who are willing to follow. However, we are a long way from victory. . . . Victory now would ruin us and the world. Nor will we be ready for victory until we are right with God.

Read the text again, and you can readily see when we will be ready for peace.

If my people which are called by my name, SHALL HUMBLE THEMSELVES.

I want you to notice that this comes first.

Are we a humble people? . . . No, we are a proud, independent and selfish people. They are telling us that this is the time to pray. . . . Our president asked us to make Jan. 1st, a day of prayer.

It is not saying prayers, nor reading prayers nor reciting prayers we need, IT IS HUMILITY OF SPIRIT. Saying prayers NOW might salve our consciences, while we went on defying God and snubbing people. HUMBLE THEMSELVES. Such a position could be reached through repentance. . . . Such a position shall be reached through suffering. . . . God's people must be an HUMBLE people if they are to be on God's side and God's people must be a willing people; it is written, "My people shall be a willing people in the day of my visitation." It is also written, MICAH 6:8:

"He hath showed thee O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with God." Again,

Matt. 23:12: "And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased, and he that humbleth himself and become obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Again, James 4:6 "God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble."

The "HIGH HAT" days are numbered. Government by might is doomed. Would to God we could see that and set ourselves to the task of seeking God humble, before we seek him in sackcloth and ashes. For it is certain we shall seek Him.

In my mail each day are all kinds of prayer suggestions; individual prayers, mass prayers, chain prayers, etc. I am interested only in prayers that reach up to God. . . . Prayers that reach God are based on humility of the pray-ers. If my people will HUMBLE themselves . . . They may by repentance and faith, they will by suffering and sacrifice. . . . WE CHOOSE THE COURSE.

With the example we have set before us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, it is tragic that we wait. . . . Phil. 25-8. "Let this mind be in you which was also

in Christ Jesus. Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God. But made himself of no reputation and took upon him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men. And being found in the fashion of a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

Prayer is not the bombardment of heaven with words and phrases.

PRAY, yes, but pray in a spirit that will reach God who is spirit . . . Pray, yes, but pray in a spirit that will change the spirit of the prayers, anything short of that may be incantation, but it is not praying.

SEEK MY FACE—What does that suggest to you? Is it possible that our dealings are such, that we cannot face the shining face of God? Does it suggest that our deeds are evil, so that we love darkness rather than light?

Does it suggest that our conduct and practices among our fellows everywhere are shady and tricky? Does it suggest that we are trying to hide out while we still droll out our prayers and practice our sins?

Does it suggest that we are cowardly and hypocritical because of our sins and dare not have God inspect our conduct?

Does it suggest that we are so paralyzed with greed and gain, that we dare not face a God of light and love?

Does it mean that our "HIGH HAT" attitude toward our fellows less fortunate than we, because of what we have leads us to feel that we cannot face God who has made all men equal in his sight? Evidently, it means something. . . . SEEK MY FACE AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS. Surely all of us know the meaning here. . . . Then why will we as individuals hold on to those things that damage character and damn souls?

Why will we as a nation hold on to sins which are damaging our national life and destroying our national existence. Why does America hold on to and encourage the liquor traffic, and then pray God for victory? Where is the point in it, where is the sense to it? Is God a being of such character, as to sit silently by, while we doom and damn ourselves? No . . . God speaks . . . TURN FROM YOUR EVIL WAYS. . . .

I am no prophet in the O. T. sense of the word but I am a prophet in the N. T. sense. . . . I am saying here and now, that America and the Allied nations will never win the war with drunken and beer soaked soldiers at the front and drunken citizens at the home base. We can lose this war. . . . We must not lose it, God is shouting from His holy heaven and thundering from His holy word, saying TURN YE, TURN YE, for why will ye die. Already the leaders who are trying to give us a vision of victory are beginning to think in terms of banishing beer and liquor from our camps for a radius of three miles . . . That may be accomplished because soldiers must be sober . . . But what is the sense of having sober soldiers at the front and drunken citizens to back them up?

We are discovering lots of things that can keep us from victory . . . Take for instance our attitude toward the people of South and Central America, who were regarded as good neighbors only in recent years. Our "High Hat" attitude toward them formerly, came desperately near losing them. . . . Surely we will learn the truth of Acts, 17:26-27 "And hath made one blood of all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed and the bounds of their habitations; that they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us." If we will not learn in the light of God's Word "That man's inhumanity to man, makes countless millions mourn," we will have to learn under the flash of 15,000 cannon and the roar of 100,000 fighting planes and bombers. Yes, we shall learn that "it is not by might nor by power but by my spirit saith the Lord of Hosts."

BUT WHEN WILL WE LEARN?
An English preacher, a few months ago, said of his people, "We have been a pleasure loving people, (Continued on Page Nine)

ACTS AND THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, BILOXI

By Mrs. G. C. Hodge

If you get muddled over the initials of our field just repeat: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and ACTS, and you'll have it—Air Corps Technical School. About thirty-five thousand men are in school here now and more coming in.

The seven-day week has cut attendance on Sunday school and church.

One school student came into service at the 12th hour; just as the pastor was extending the invitation for membership. He joined by statement, and later led the closing prayer. I shall not soon forget the plea for comfort by the Holy Spirit. Uncle Sam is doing much for his nephews, but there are many things young Christians cannot understand. Pray for the comforting touch of the Holy Spirit on all such troubled lives.

Realization! A simple question, "Where is your home?", brought this answer: "In Florida. Just now my father is making a trip across the continent to get my brother who just returned from the war zone. He has lost both legs and his right hand." A shocked silence, while the five of us tried to realize what that meant. Can you?

The pastor was late for dinner today, so was one of his guests. When they came we found there was a reason. He had led his guest to enlist in the army of the Lord.

We rejoice when these boys find the Saviour, and we praise Him for letting us serve in helping to point them to Him. However, when one of our own boys comes to accept the Lord our joy overflows. Charles Schmidt, one of our former Scouts, now in the U. S. marines, home for ten days from Iceland en route to the Pacific coast, found the Saviour after the Fellowship Service last Sunday night. He was baptized tonight and will leave Tuesday morning for the war zone in the Pacific.

Charles was a visitor at our Training Union Assembly and though he would not make a talk, he answered all our questions. So interesting did it prove that it was continued after the evening preaching service in the Fellowship Service. We wondered how Shetland Pony tasted, why the marines were forbidden to brush their teeth while in Iceland and why they were forbidden to drink milk, and what the particular duty of marines was—we found out.

At 3:30 p. m., Feb. 22. A telephone call: "I'm leaving tomorrow; I was to be baptized tonight. The only way I can get out to church is for the pastor to call my squadron headquarters and ask permission." The pastor became personally responsible for him, and baptized him along with several others. He was with us for only a few weeks, but came to know and trust the Saviour. He asked permission to keep his church collection envelopes that he may send his tithes back to "his church."

If they couldn't get out to church in the morning, they made it up at night. There were four conversions and additions for baptism, one by letter, one by statement and two rededications during the day.

A beautiful baptismal service closed the day. One marine, two soldiers and two young women were baptized.

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The Archbishop of Canterbury preached recently in a Baptist church in England, the Church of England building of that parish having been injured by enemy action. The Archbishop, thanking the trustees of the church for their kindness, remarked that the bitterness between denominations was passing away. The Archbishop ought to realize that 10, 20, or 30 years ago he would have been welcomed in any Baptist church. The question is as to whether the Church of England will show such generosity with its church properties.—Watchman-Examiner.

MINISTERS CONFERENCE, LOUISVILLE, MARCH 16-20

The annual ministers' conference conducted by the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky., will be held March 16 to 20. The conference is planned to center around the general theme of preaching and men of world-wide fame have been selected to bring materials helpful to preaching.

Dr. Williams Lyon Phelps of Yale University is to give five lectures on the general subject, "The Expression of the Christian Religion in Literature." The five lectures will deal with drama, poetry and great novels, the poetry of Robert Browning and Pope's Speech in The Ring and the Book.

Dr. H. Odum, who has been the Kenan professor of sociology at the University of North Carolina since 1920, will speak five times on the general theme of "The World the Preacher Faces." In these lectures he will discuss "The Way of the South is the Way of America and Democracy," "The Regional Approach to the New World of Tomorrow," "The South at Its Best," "The South in Relation to Southern Regions and the Nation," "Which Way is Forward in War and Peace."

This year the practical problems of the preachers will be discussed by Dr. Fred F. Brown, the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Knoxville, Tenn. He will hold conferences every afternoon in regard to the preachers' problems.

The conference pastor who will speak each night is the well-known Dr. Ellis A. Fuller, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Atlanta, Ga., and president of the Home Mission Board. He will preach each night at the Crescent Hill Baptist Church.

Due to the crowded conditions of the Seminary, accommodations in Mullins Hall will be few. Reservations should be made at once for rooms in homes in the nearby community. The Seminary will assist in finding rooms for all who attend. The program of four of America's outstanding men guarantees an overflow crowd at all sessions of the convention.

A GLORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT—AN UNPRECEDENTED APPEAL

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than \$300,000 with which the board will meet the imperiled plight of large numbers of suffering, hungry, starving peoples throughout the war-torn world.

The first Sunday in April is the day agreed upon for this offering. The entire month of April is dedicated for the completion of the offering. Full details of the appeal will presently reach all our people through the State Baptist papers, The Commission, Royal Service, The Brotherhood Quarterly and direct communications to pastors and church leaders through the State Secretaries. With grateful and full confidence, we appeal to our fellow pastors throughout the Southern Baptist Convention to make careful and prayerful preparation for this unprecedented appeal. Thus we shall be able to go to San Antonio with a report that will thrill the hearts of all our people. Please send all gifts through your State Secretary.

GEORGE W. TRUETT, Chairman,
LOUIE D. NEWTON, Secretary.

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Fifth Avenue Church of Hattiesburg gave more money last year than ever before. The most notable event was a "Bond Burning" on November 9. They called and bought all outstanding bonds. The balance on a sixteen year-old building debt. We put a total of \$8,261.11 into bond redemption during 1941. The "Bond Burning" was a high day in our church. Many were in tears of joy and very near to open shouting.

Toomsba Church, Lauderdale County, recently ordained the following deacons: Lamar Coker, Will Roberson and Leander Price. Those taking part in the program were Rev. C. S. Moulder, pastor; Thomas S. Messer and the following deacons: Cook Rogers, Sam Pigford and T. J. Messer.

THE ONLY MEANS OF PROMOTING ALL BAPTIST WORK IN EVERY HOME

Information

Hosea declared: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." The Baptist who knows the program of his denomination will support it. We must get to every Baptist home with the story of our missionary, benevolent and educational program if we are to go forward as a denomination in the advancement of the kingdom of God. The Baptist state paper affords the most effective channel for this ministry of information. Experience attest this statement.

Enlistment

State secretaries testify that wherever the state Baptist paper is circulated in the homes of the people, they find it much easier to enlist such churches in the Co-Operative Program, Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, and all other phases of our united effort. Likewise do pastors testify that the task of enlistment is greatly aided when the people read the state Baptist paper. People are ready to co-operate when they understand what is expected of them.

Indoctrination

Baptists thrive when the doctrines of our faith are constantly and clearly and convincingly kept before them. They need a good dose of doctrinal teaching every week. The Baptist state paper affords the best medium for doctrinal messages. The entire family will come to read these doctrinal messages. We have able men and women in each state who can write these doctrinal articles.

Unifying

The Baptist state paper, with its information, indoctrination, and enlistment provides a certain ministry through which our people will be unified. We will come to think together, act together, go forward together. The present unity of Southern Baptists is due, primarily, to the ministry of our state Baptist papers. We cannot afford to lose this unifying influence. We very much need to widen its reach by putting the state Baptist paper in every home.

Inspiration

The net effect of the state Baptist paper in every home of every local church will be seen in a mighty army if people inspired to follow faithfully the leadership of our mission boards, our seminaries, our benevolent institutions, our colleges, our training agencies, and all the causes dear to our hearts. The spirit of a people determines their destiny. Southern Baptists will be inspired to yet greater achievement when our state Baptist papers go every week into every home.

Your Baptist Record Serves Every Cause Dear To The Hearts Of Our People

THE NOW CALL
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dishonoring God's Day, picnicking and bath, NOW, the sea shores are barred.

We have preferred motor travel to church-going, NOW, there is a shortage of motor fuel.

We have ignored the ringing of the church bells calling us to worship, NOW, the church bells cannot ring except to warn of invasion.

We have left the churches half empty, when they should have been filled with worshipers, NOW, they are in ruins.

We would not listen to the way of peace, NOW, we are forced to listen to the way of war.

The money we would not give to the Lord's work, NOW is taken from us in taxes and higher prices. The food for which we forgot to say thanks, NOW is unobtainable.

The service we refused to give God NOW is conscripted for the country. The lives we refused to live under God's control NOW are under the nation's control.

Nights we would not spend watching unto prayer, NOW are spent in anxious air-raid precautions.

The evils of modernism we would not fight, NOW see what Germany, the seat of this teaching has produced.

All this we have visualized from across the Atlantic in the short time of two years. All this and more awaits us, because the law of sowing and reaping is a fixed principle in this universe. "For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." The same principle applies to a nation.

In the president's speech last Tuesday he said, and I quote:

"People are asking when will this war end? There is only one answer to that, it will end just as soon as we make it, end by our combined efforts, our combined strength, our combined determination to fight through, and work through until the end of militarism in Germany, and Italy and Japan, most certainly we will not settle for less." YES, that is the political side, YES, that is the military side, YES, that is the economic side and from those sides it seems to be reasonable. . . But there is another side, it is the SPIRITUAL. I am often asked. Why do you say this war will be a long one?

There are physical, psychical, and material reasons that might lead to such a conclusion, but my prognosis is not based on any of these, it is based on THE SPIRITUAL. It is embodied in our text . . . When God's people humble themselves, pray, seek His face, forsake their wicked ways . . . From this you can judge the duration of this war.

Apply it to your own self, compare yourself now with yourself a year ago; apply it to your city, apply it to your county, our state and our nation and to the nations allied with us. . . Then you can determine the duration of the war. This is not merely a war, this is a different war as we are discovering, this is a total war. Men have their theories about the conclusion of it, but God has the facts about it. . . Some think in terms of Asiatic supremacy.

Some think in terms of Teutonic supremacy.

Some think in terms of Anglo-Saxon supremacy. All of which must be eclipsed with Jesus Christ supremacy, for it is written, "The kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ and he shall reign on the earth."

Yes, it is written, in Rev. 4:11 "Thou are worthy O Lord to receive the glory and honor and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

But somebody says, I don't like war, neither do I "But fight we must, when our cause is just. And this our motto be, "In God we trust. And let the star-spangled banner forever wave. Over the land of the free and the home of the brave."

BUT WHEN WILL WE LISTEN TO GOD. Listen—Prov. 1:24-33. Shall it be said of us as has often been said, "TOO FEW TOO LATE."

Yes, victory ought to begin in 1942, yes, victory ought to begin NOW. Yes, Victory has already begun, for there are hundreds and thousands turning to God in America today, there will be many thousands more, who will turn to God next year and

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

ESKRIDGE AND SHILOH CHURCHES JOIN THE PARADE
Two Montgomery County Churches Adopt Every Family Plan

Rev. W. M. Hull, Jr., has led two of his churches, Eskridge and Shiloh in Montgomery County, to adopt the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

In writing about it, he says, "Since adopting the Every Family Plan, the people of Eskridge and Shiloh churches have been delighted with The Record. Interest increased immediately. I'm hoping to have the Every Family Plan in more of my churches soon."

Brother Hull is a native of Montgomery County. He was graduated from Mississippi College in 1938. Rev. N. G. Hickman is his ministerial father, having baptized him at Winona. He is now pastor of Eskridge, Shiloh, Prospect and Hebron in Montgomery County, and Hickory Grove and Jefferson in Carroll County.

Montgomery County Baptist Record readers are listed as follows: WINONA 61; ESKRIDGE 21; SHILOH 12; BETHLEHEM 20; Duck Hill 2; Route 4, Winona 1; Poplar Springs 2; Sweatman 1; Milligan Springs 1.

Edinburg

Pastor Lavon Moore had his tonsils removed on Saturday and that gave us the opportunity to supply for him on Sunday at Edinburg. Edinburg is one of our EVERY FAMILY church so we did not need to mention The Record. Brother B. L. Dansby is the Sunday school superintendent and Bro. Laston Webb is the B. T. U. director. Good crowds attended both services. They have a nice brick building that would be a credit to a town several times the size of Edinburg. We were privileged to be a guest in the homes of Brethren I. C. Fortenberry and O. C. Ingram. They treated us like a king.

Leake County now has Baptist Record readers as follows: CARTHAGE 65; Dossville 3; WALNUT GROVE 50; New Hope 1; MT. CARMEL (EDINBURG) 30; GOOD HOPE 24; LENA 75; MIDWAY 13; Mt. Zion 1; Oak Grove 7; Standing Pine 3; TUSCOLA 39; Mars Hill 2; O'Fohoma 1.

Greenville Is In

Another one of Mississippi's leading churches to join the growing list that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan is the First Baptist Church of Greenville. We understand that the first act of business to come before this splendid church under the new pastor, Dr. C. S. Henderson the next . . . But today is the day of salvation. . . Will you hear God. . . Will you heed?

GOD is calling. When our nation on her knees begin to say,

"I have wandered far away from God
Now I am coming home,
Too long the paths of sin I've trod
Lord I'm coming home."

Then no enemy, no combination of enemies, will be able to stand before us.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord
Was laid for your faith in His excellent word.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES CALLED AND ACCEPTED

Roland A. Smith, Trinity Heights Church, Shreveport, La.

T. G. Shelton, Sinking Springs Church, Murray, Ky.

M. R. Soileau, Westlake, Fla.

C. A. Sallee, Urbana, Ark.

J. Marvin Thomas, Las Vegas, Waco, Texas.

Raymond A. Thompson, State Street, Columbia, S. C.

A. B. Vanarsdale, Benton, Arkansas.

E. R. Vinson, Graceville, Fla.

W. R. Vaiden, Lower Northampton, Va.

E. C. Vaughn, Jackson Creek Church, Columbia, S. C.

Andrew J. Ward, Blair, Oklahoma.

P. G. Woodruff, First DeKalb, Tex.

Ralph Walker, First, Portland, Oregon.

Henry Ward, First, Huntsville, Texas.

F. A. Walton, Rio Frio, Texas.

Reginald Wall, First, Toomsaba, Ga.

W. E. White, Sapulpa, Oklahoma.

Johnnie Womack (Walley Church, Neches, Texas. Chester P. Wagstaff, Red Bank Church, Nassawadow, Va.

A. B. Wood, Ninth Avenue, Charlotte, N. C.

Stanley E. Wilkes, Broadmoor, Shreveport, La.

RESIGNED

T. E. Mason, Centreville, Texas.

C. E. Milton, Ludowici, Ga.

J. F. Neville, Celina, Tenn.

J. T. Naul, Piper Church, Bibb County, Ala.

Dick O'Brien, Stanford, Texas.

S. S. Osborn, Nellie and Denton Churches, Stephens County, Okla.

Wm. L. Ross, McDonald Memorial, Atlanta, Ga.

Leon Riddle, Macedonia Church, Marshall County, Alabama.

H. M. Randall, Crossville, Tennessee.

Robert Smith, Norman Park, Georgia.

W. A. Sloan, Prospect Hill, San Antonio, Texas.

L. B. Saouls, Locust Grove Church, Marietta, Ga.

J. M. Sullivan, Hogan Church, Jacksonville, Fla.

Lloyd R. Simmons, Zeigler, Ill.

T. G. Shelton, Beech Creek, Ky.

son, was a recommendation from the Board of Deacons that the EVERY FAMILY Plan be adopted. It was—UNANIMOUSLY.

Evidently those good Greenville people expect to give Dr. Henderson all the support they can in an effort to make his second pastorate there even more successful than his first. Many people are due much credit for leading this church to take this forward step, but not having been on the ground we fear that we do not know all of them, but some who lent their support were: F. C. Stebbins, chairman of the Board; A. W. Alexander, superintendent of the Sunday School; John D. Causey, chairman of the finance committee; Kern Pratt, M. E. Goodman, John D. Davis, J. G. McKee, Hugh Alexander and others who saw the benefits of the Record coming into their homes.

Washington County now has circulation as follows: ARCOLA 47, Glen Allen 1, GREENVILLE SECOND 29, GREENVILLE FIRST 175, HOLLANDALE 104, LELAND 162, Percy 1, SWIFTWATER 15, Tralake 1.

(Greenville First did this without outside help. Others could if ———. A. L. G.)

Durant

While awaiting the coming of Pastor B. Frank Smith, the Durant Saints gave us another invitation and we heard them the first time. Although without a pastor for six weeks, the church organizations have been carrying on in a splendid way. Finances are holding up and they now have on hand almost enough to take care of all church building funds due in 1942.

Holmes County now has Record readers as follows: Central 17; Cruger 18; Durant Route 2-1; Durant Route 1-1; Durant 59; Ebenezer 19; Goodman 29; Lexington 42; Pickens 31; Springdale 14; Tchula 33; West 28; Oregon 3; Mt. Vernon 1; Pleasant Ridge 1

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Brother H. T. Walker, Taylorsville writes as follows:

"Taylorsville Church voted yesterday to accept its quota of \$600.00 on the NOW Club, payable monthly for three years. Enclosed find check for January and February.

Yours truly,

(Signed) H. I. Walker."

2-23-42.

Here we have another church reaching the goal. This is the spirit that has brought a good measure of success in NOW Club plans. Go thou and do likewise.

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GOVERNOR A. H. LONGINO

(Excerpts of a sermon delivered at the funeral of Gov. A. H. Longino, held at the First Baptist Church, Jackson, February 25th, 1942, by Pastor W. A. Hewitt.—Ed.)

A great man has this day fallen in Mississippi. Gov. Longino was born just before the Civil War and lived through four wars, including the present one, and we hope has lived through most of it. In the first World War, he had passed the age limit to enlist, so he donned a uniform and joined the Y. M. C. A. in order that he might serve the boys.

He was about 11 years of age at the close of the Civil War and the girl who was to become his devoted wife and life partner for nearly three score years, was a few years younger. They grew up during the dark and difficult days of reconstruction. They were never afraid of a depression after those terrible times, for the deepest depression after that was a boom in comaprisson.

A prominent lawyer said the other day that some people might have sometimes disagreed with Gov. Longino, but nobody ever doubted his honesty or his integrity. He bequeathed to his children a good name, which is rather to be chosen than great riches. He was a man in whom there was no guile—no deception. Nobody ever heard him speak unkindly of another—either friend or foe.

He added to his faith the Christian Graces that produced good health and a long life; that radiated happiness and gave him an abundant entrance into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

After he passed away, a daughter said he fought the good fight and her mother said, "Yes, and he kept the faith." I can O. K. these two statements and add that he also finished his course. He did not think so; he had many plans for the future, so many things he wanted to do. He thought he was going to live a hundred years. He wanted to die with his boots on and he almost did that. He died in the harness. As no good man can die till his time comes, we can say he finished his course just as he fought the good fight and kept the faith.

He walked with God and went out so far he walked right into God's house and was not for God took him. He has now entered into that inheritance that is incorruptible, undefiled and fadeth not away.

Governor Longino, since 1927 judge of the county court of Hinds County, died Tuesday afternoon at the Baptist Hospital after a month's illness. Eighty-seven years old, he had been in public service more than 60 years.

Governor Longino was born in Lawrence County in 1854. His early education was in the Lawrence County schools. He attended Mississippi College, Clinton, in 1876 and was graduated in law at the University of Virginia in 1880. He was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity.

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Ingle side Baptist Church, Shreveport, Rev. T. C. Pennell, pastor, had opening services in their new auditorium which has been erected at a cost of \$42,500 on Sunday, March the first.

THE RELIGION OF THE CROSS

P. I. Lipsey

There is no more important passage in all the Scriptures than the last paragraph in Paul's letter to the Galatians. For this reason we speak and write of it with great hesitation, but with a sense of compulsion because of its central in the whole scheme of revealed religion.

We speak of its supreme importance on the authority of Paul himself, and upon the testimony of the scripture in general. Paul directs attention to its importance by the way he introduces it. He is about to close the Epistle, but he cannot do so without summing up in a word of personal testimony the essence of the letter and of the substances of the gospel of Christ.

Notice carefully his words: "Look! See with what large letters I write unto you with mine own hand." Here are three ways by which he calls particular attention to what he is going to say. (1) "Look!" You may have seen such a sign along the road. Or you may have heard a friend say "Look" in such a tone of voice as indicated that here is something of vital importance. (2) He says, "With what large letters." Such letters are used when something of unusual or supreme importance is shown you. That is what big letters are used for in the newspapers, or anywhere else, to get attention to something of great consequence. (3) And then Paul says, "With mine own hand." They will notice the difference in his handwriting from that of the amanuensis who has been doing the writing for him. Before he closes the epistle he wants to say something which is intensely personal and supremely important. He will write it himself, with his own hand. He would prefer to deliver it as nearly in person as possible. He says, "Let me have the pen," and he puts all the force of his own personality and experience into it, for it is the message from his own heart and soul. It is the essence of the gospel of Christ, of the whole Christian religion.

He is talking about the cross of Christ, which dominates his life and thinking; it is his whole theology, his hope of salvation, and of the salvation of the world. He is led thus to speak forcefully, because some have put the religion of Jesus in danger of being perverted, corrupted and thus of being utterly nullified. He is led to it by the corrupters of the gospel. He had denounced them before in this epistle.

Now he speaks thus of them: "As many as desire to make a fair show in the flesh, they compel (require) you to be circumcised, etc. Circumcision separates. The cross of Christ unites. Circumcision is the mark of a separate race, a distinct class. The cross is the destroyer of distinctions. It was here that he "blotted out the bond written in ordinances." Here was all the pride of the flesh destroyed with all the desire "to make a fair show in the flesh." Whenever religion is made to minister to pride and self-satisfaction; whenever to belong to a certain sect becomes a mark of worldly distinction, the religion of Jesus has been overthrown.

Paul says that these obstructionists and opposers of the gospel do so that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. The cross stands for putting to death the flesh with all its lusts. There are groups of people who seek to entice members into their fold by promising that they won't have to give up this, or quit doing that. They can go right on in the way they have been going. They won't have to break with the world, but continue to enjoy the pleasures of the world as much as they ever did. They seek to escape the opprobrium of "narrowness" and "sanctimoniousness" with which others are charged. These judaizers told a Jew, "If you go with us and do our way you can still be a Jew as much as ever." Their modern representatives and successors tell their dupes that you can go right on doing whatever you wish to do. You don't have to be a prude or a "saint." They avoid the cross, that they may escape the censure of the world.

The corruptors of the gospel were said to have the new disciples circumcised that they might glory in their flesh. They liked to count members, and they liked to boast of statistics, and to boast of superiority in magnificent physical equipment, and

TO THE MEMBERS OF UNITY CHURCH, GREEN COUNTY

A friend and former resident of your community wants you to enjoy The Baptist Record. So he has paid for it for one month, and this explains why you will receive the Record during the month of March.

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Recent visitors to The Baptist Record office include the following: Rev. C. C. Jones, Mendenhall; Miss Emma Smith, Jackson; Rev. E. D. Estes, Clinton; Charles Estes, Clinton; Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Hewitt, Jackson; Rev. E. A. McGriff, Lake; Rev. J. S. Deaton, Daniels Baptist Church; Rev. B. L. McKee, Gallman; Rev. E. C. Farr, Glen Allen; Dr. I. D. Eavenson, Cleveland; Rev. L. C. Hoff, Brookhaven; Rev. C. J. Olander, Morgan City; Dr. J. P. Kirkland, New Albany, and Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron.

Union Church, Pearl River County—Our service on February 15th was dedicated to the soldier boys of Mississippi. We were asked for \$15.00 for soldier work. After the pastor, Rev. S. B. Powell, delivered a stirring message, many of the members said, "We should not take this money out of our treasury. Let's give it now." And when the men and women had finished laying their money on the altar there was \$21.00, and more promised later.—Reporter.

Tupelo Calvary Church—Needless to tell you, we are more than happy with the Powells here. They are just super—"everything." We confidentially believe we have a great spiritual leader in Dr. Powell. His messages are encouraging, inspiring and heart-searching.—Reporter.

To New Salem, Berea and Bear Creek Churches—Beginning this week you are receiving The Record on the EVERY FAMILY Plan. Only your hearty co-operation makes this possible. I trust that each of you will read your paper from week to week, and that our churches might grow in spiritual power. "For where there is no vision the people perish."—Your pastor, H. H. Ward.

The Edgefield Sunday School, Attala County, was organized on February 22nd. It began with an enrollment of forty-five, and the enrollment has already reached fifty-five.

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The Liberty Hill Church has accepted a recommendation of the deacons ordering the establishment of a library. The Training Union of this church has done noble work in visiting every church member, talking to them about their relationship to the church and leaving some literature on stewardship.—Harry A. Borah, pastor.

historic traditions and treasured successions.

There is only one cure for all this. It is the way of the cross. Paul puts over against the way of ease and pride, "the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." "God forbid that I should glory save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world hath been crucified unto me, and I unto the world." Until one has abandoned every hope of salvation, all effort on his own part, all dependence on ordinances and rites, all appeals to the flesh, and lays hold on the Cross of Christ, as the only way of forgiveness and deliverance, he is without hope for this world or the world to come.

Nothing in my hand I bring;

Simply to thy cross I cling.

But we have not exhausted the meaning of the cross when we have accepted the sufferings of Jesus as atonement for our sins. By acceptance of the cross of Christ, a change has been wrought in us. The world has been crucified to us and we to the world. To us the world is dead and is without appeal. To the world we are dead, and we are no more of the world. Its lure does not attract us or determine our way of life. Paul says, "I have been crucified with Christ, and it is no more I that live, but Christ liveth in me, and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." Again, "I bear about in my body the dying of the Lord Jesus that the life of Jesus also may be made manifest in my body."

No wonder then that Paul says he will glory only thus that all the benefits of the gospel can come to us.

Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary

CONVENTION SPEAKER



DR. J. D. GREY

Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, will be one of the inspirational speakers at the Mississippi Sunday School Convention at Brookhaven, April 28-29.

Special Offer

In view of the supreme importance of teaching and in order to encourage training in our churches during these difficult times, Executive Secretary T. L. Holcomb announces that the Sunday School board will, during the remainder of 1942, give to class teachers a copy of the book they plan to teach. This applies both to Sunday School and Training Union courses.

Dr. Holcomb suggests that those who order books for classes request the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss., to include in the order a free copy for the teacher. A cloth bound copy, instead of the paper one, will be given when ten or more books of the same title are bought for class use.

This is most generous on the part of the Sunday School Board, and we hope many people over the state will take advantage of it and plan for training classes soon. April is the Spring month for Sunday school training courses. Start now to have your class in April.

Very Unusual

It is not necessarily news when we say we have a standard department in the state, but it is REAL NEWS when we say that we have a standard Adult department. But, that is just what we are telling you now. We do have a standard Adult department, and it is the only one in the state so far this year, and one of the few that will be reported from over the entire South.

This standard Adult department is the one at Philadelphia. The superintendent of that department is Mrs. V. C. Moss, whose wise leadership, careful attention even to small details, and diligent study and planning, have now reached this glorious climax. This is a most worthy accomplishment and we hereby extend our heartfelt congratulations to her and her faithful congregations and teachers.

The pastor of the church is Rev. R. K. Corder, and the general superintendent of the school is Mr. Walker W. Jones.

Other Standards

Adult classes: Golden Circle, Phila-

delphia, Mr. J. E. Jolly, teacher, and the Brotherhood, Philadelphia, Mr. E. S. Cole, teacher.

Junior classes: Race Runners, Liberty, Mrs. Cornelia Cockerham, teacher, and King's Soldiers, Utica, Mrs. T. L. Smith, teacher.

This is twelve standard Junior classes already this year, which is one-third the total number for all of last year. At this rate we can easily reach our goal of 150. Remember, we can have a standard class in a non-department school as well as in the department school.

Primary: The Morgan City Primary department, Mrs. W. B. Moore, superintendent, is standard again. This is getting to be a regular thing for this fine department. Only 14 more standard Primary departments are needed to reach our goal for this year. Who will be next?

New Units

A new Cradle Roll has been organized at Pickens with Mrs. Ed Atkinson as superintendent. This is always a very vital part of the school work, and every school should have a Cradle Roll. Free literature is available for every new Cradle Roll organized.

Keep the Record

Many churches have begun keeping a permanent record of all their training course credits. This is what every church should do. Then you can get a definite check-up at any time without any trouble to anyone.

Get you a secretary for this, arrange the cards and a file for keeping them, and then stress the importance of this part of your Sunday School program.

Ackerman

Mr. H. L. Rhodes, superintendent at Ackerman, sends us an application for the standard award for the Leila Rhodes Adult Bible class, Mrs. H. L. Rhodes, teacher, and also registration certificates for five Adult classes, two Young People's classes, the Intermediate department and four classes, the Junior department and its four classes, as well as the Cradle Roll, Beginner, Primary, and Extension departments.

This surely is a big, fine order coming all at one time, but we do thank him for this good work and excellent leadership in helping these units of his school to be better.

Two More

The Goodyear school, Picayune, Rev. J. D. Griffin, pastor, W. B. Boatner, superintendent, and Davis Memorial, Jackson, Rev. A. S. Johnston, pastor, and J. J. House, superintendent, have recently become standard schools for 1942.

We thank all these leaders and their associates for the good work in maintaining such a helpful program for their schools, and wish for them that 1942 may be easily their best year yet.

And Don't Forget

That April is Spring study course month. The emphasis this year is on the books of Doctrines and Evangelism. How fine for our Sunday

THE CHALLENGE OF HAWAII'S LARGEST ISLAND

Missionaries of the Foreign Mission Board Evacuated From the Far East Find News on "Big Island"

The five principal, most important Hawaiian Islands lie in a line. "Garden Island," the oldest and most beautiful, is at the upper northwest end of the group. Then coming southeast is Oahu, the most important from a political and commercial standpoint. At the southeast end is Hawaii, the newest and largest. The other two important islands, Molokai and Maui, lie between Oahu and Hawaii. There is good steamship and air transportation, modern highways and other conveniences throughout the territory of Hawaii.

In making the second part of our survey of the islands, at the request of the new Hawaiian Baptist Mission Board, we went direct from Honolulu, where our Board's work centers over to Hawaii the "Big Island," as it is termed by residents of the territory. On a world map this island appears as only a speck, but when one approaches it, or makes a trip around it, one realizes that it is really a Big Island for that part of the world, having 4,031 square miles.

It is seen immediately that the island is of volcanic origin. Some lava flows are so recent that they stand out distinctly like great sprawling serpents on the landscape, and at some places smoke and fumes issue from fissures in the mountain sides. The island is a veritable geological, botanical and ethnological laboratory. On the older parts the tropical jungle growth is luxuriant and of unusual beauty. Much of the island is, however, still desert, yet it is surprising how fast first the lichens, then shrubs and trees take hold and grow on the lava rocks. Such land is used for grazing and then later for cultivation. Most of the people live along the coast line. The total population is around 74,000. Most of the people are employed on sugarcane and pineapple plantations and live in towns. Nearly half the population is of Japanese descent. Many of these are Buddhists and Shintoists.

The largest, most beautiful city, Hilo, has a population of 16,600, forty-three per cent of whom are of Japanese descent. There are ten Buddhist and a number of Shinto temples in this city, some having just been built. We were surprised to see the size, the beauty and orderliness of the city, brought about largely by the white residents who take the lead in business, social and political affairs; but we were grieved, as was Paul, to see so many evidences of sin, heathen worship and superstition.

There is no Baptist church in this large city, Hilo. My wife and I attended the Chinese (Congregational) church, the only Chinese group on the island. The young minister, when observing the Lord's Supper, spoke of the "broken body of Robert Louis Stevenson" instead of the Lord's suffering, apologizing for doing this a second time. It was pathetic. The pastor's wife said she was a Baptist, having attended Baptist schools in Canton. She introduced us to her sister, who is also a Baptist. The attractive young wife of the leading deacon, a Chinese doctor, had been a member of the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans. She is a great

school people to come together for a week's study in the great doctrines of the Bible and the all-important matter of studying and praying how to be soul winners.

Set the week in April you want your course, enlist the teacher, order the books from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, and then put on a good program of publicity to let the folks know about it. And, we will not forget to pray that those few days spent in such a study may be guided of the Lord in the help of the work. But, all this must be planned, or there will be no course of study in April. Therefore, plan it.

PASTORS' RESPONSIBILITY

Pastor N. M. Stigler of Blackwell sends us the following exhortation to himself and all other pastors: Every God-called, sincere pastor is seeking now to find the right way for himself and his people. Our pulpits in America are given much freedom. The pastor, therefore, has a tremendous responsibility in his use of this freedom, under God.

The pulpit should not be used:

1. To broadcast war communiques.
2. To stir up hate.
3. To rant and rave noisily and vociferously.

People come to church asking in their hearts, "Is there any message from the Lord?" May God lead us to answer in the affirmative!

Why not preach love in a world of hate?

Why not preach hope in a world of despair?

Why not preach cheer in a world of gloom?

Why not preach light in a world of darkness?

Why not preach regeneration in a world that is lost?

Why not preach peace in a world of war?

Why not preach salvation to all who will believe?

As a pastor, why not be God's man among all men, every day, everywhere? —Baptist Messenger.

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AND HE CAME TO HIMSELF

"Almighty God, as I sit here this lovely Sunday morning surrounded by the Sunday paper and half listening to one of the big preachers over the radio, it has just come over me that I have lied to Thee and myself. I said I was not well enough to go to church. That was not true. I was not ambitious enough. I would have gone to my office if it had been Monday morning. I would have played golf if it had been Wednesday afternoon. I would have attended my luncheon club if it had met this noon. I would have been able to have gone to a picture show if it had been Friday night. But it was Sunday morning and Sunday sickness seems to cover a multitude of sins. God have mercy on me. I have lied to Thee and to myself. I am not sick. I am a liar. Amen."

Wonder if there is ever anyone like that in our church and town? I suspect there is. This "Sunday sickness" has a good hold on many, I suspect. It dulls the conscience, hardens the heart, and paralyzes the will to worship.—Copied.

help in this little Chinese church. The Mormons are trying hard to get its members.

No regular church services were being held in any of the several churches of Hilo the Sunday night we were there. However, a conference of Pentecostals, Assemblies of God, and other so-called full gospel groups was in session. We had been given the name of the leader of the Pentecostal church where the meeting was being held, with the explanation that her church was the "truest to the faith" to be found in that city. We were given a warm welcome. The whole speaking program was turned over to us three, and each of us spoke as long as we liked. The meeting was really one of blessing and glory to God. Those attending listened with keen interest to the stories of conversions in Japan as reported by Rev. Edwin Dozier and in Manchuria as given by Mrs. Leonard. Another meeting was held the next night in order to hear us again. The earnestness, zeal and fire of these people was refreshing when compared to the coldness found in many other churches.

CHARLES A. LEONARD, SR.
Williamston, N. C.

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A Chinese opened a laundry between a drug store and a restaurant. The drug-gist had a sign: "We Never Close." The restaurant announced: "Open at All Hours." So, within a few days the laundry exhibited this sign: "Me No Sleepy Too."

Baptist Training Union

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Port Gibson Reports Progress

Miss Electra Warren of the Training Union Department had the privilege of helping in the Training School recently in Port Gibson, and reports a splendid school. The work continues to grow under the leadership of Pastor Polk and Director Moseley. Those who have been in touch with the work for some time say the interest is better now than it has ever been. On the afternoon of the third Sunday, the Associational Training Union met. A good crowd gathered and an interesting and helpful program was enjoyed. Mr. Moseley is the Associational Director and is leading in a fine way.

123 Attend Neshoba County Associational Meeting

Director F. G. Wilborn of Neshoba County is making the finest director to be found anywhere, according to one who knows what an Associational Director is. We rejoice with these Neshoba Baptists in the progress being made in Training Union work. In their February meeting, 123 were present from seven churches. A highly inspirational program was rendered, divided in five parts. The devotional was led by Ray Jenkins; a panel discussion was led by Imogene Evans, Clovis Young, Marvene Kirby and Bobbie Wilson, using the subjects as follows: Growing in Bible Study, Growing in Scriptural Giving, Growing in Soul Winning, Growing by Work in Church Organizations. Department Conferences were led by the Associational Department leaders, all of whom were present and on the job, and a short closing message by Rev. Charles Hamlet, Decatur, all combined to make this one of the very best meetings ever held in the Association. The banner was awarded to the Linwood Church. This program was on Monday night, February 9th, and ran an hour and forty minutes. The Associational Secretary went into action before the meeting and got a letter to all leaders, and was on the job at the meeting.

Eupora Adds a Story Hour

Another Story Hour has been added to our list. This time it is Eupora that thinks enough of the boys and girls under nine to provide a service for them at Training Union hour. Mr. W. R. McFerrin, director of the Eupora Training Union, in reporting the story hour also reports progress in the work in general. The attendance and interest have increased since their recent training school over which he is rejoicing.

Approved Workers Are Being Added to the Training Union Department

We have for years used a number of volunteer workers in our state, but we are just beginning to classify a few of these workers as "Approved Workers" and assign to them a special department and ask them to be responsible for certain duties. Mrs. Earl Clark, 2209 St. Charles street, Jackson, Miss., is our Approved Story Hour leader who desires help. Mrs.

Clark, who leads a Story Hour in her own church, Parkway Jackson, has taken special work in this department in various places and is well qualified for the duties assigned her. She will be writing, occasionally, to Associational Story Hour leaders, and will be happy to help in every way possible to promote this important phase of our church life.

"Let Us Have Joyful Music"

The caption and the following are quoted from the pen of Brother B. B. McKinney, secretary of the Music Department of the Sunday School Board: "In studying the Bible we find that words for music, musical instruments, musicians, songs, singers, and singing appear 425 times; harps and viols, 150 times; shouting for joy, 75 times; joy, 200 times; happiness, 25 times; glad and gladness, 150 times; rejoicing, 300 times; total 1,325 times. The word gloominess appears in the Bible twice; the word despair, four times. Therefore, from the Scripture standpoint we have every reason for joyful music. Let all the people worship the Lord in joyful song. This is no time for doleful singing, nor for "Sunday morning lockjaw." "Let all the people sing."

War Is Expensive!

We are beginning to realize that war is expensive in many ways. The way we are thinking of now is that it is taking many of our good leaders from our churches and from our associations. Many of the young men are being called from responsible places of leadership. A letter before us from Brother W. E. Furgerson, Moderator of Lee County Association, also Associational Training Union Director, and pastor of one of our splendid Lee County churches tells of his going into the chaplaincy. This is a fine calling and we glory in his willingness to thus serve. We also rejoice in the fact that there are others who are willing to fill in these places made vacant. In this particular case Mr. Fred Weaver Davis of Calvary Church Tupelo takes up the work of Associational Director, and Brother F. V. McFarridge will serve as moderator. We make the appeal here to others to be willing to fall in and fill in the gaps made vacant by those leaving for service in the defense program. We must keep the line intact.

The new Manuals are off the press and in the language of the modern enthusiast "they are honies."

"How the Just Shall Live by Faith"

The Scripture that we use as the heading for this article is the Scripture that Dr. Wallace Bassett, one of our great Baptist preachers, uses as the basis for the fourteen wonderful sermons on Faith that have been put into the volume entitled, "A Star at Midnight." To those who know Dr. Bassett, we need only to say that the book is off the press and can be had from the Baptist Book Store. To others we say you will be glad we

THERE ARE MIRACLES TODAY IN INDIA

By Bishop Shet K. Mondel,
Hyderabad, India

The Christian work of the Methodist Church in the new Hyderabad area has grown so rapidly during the past fifteen years that the recent Central Conference decided to make this a new episcopal center. No bishop has lived in Hyderabad before. The work is truly full of promise here.

As I have traveled from district to district and seen the marvelous work that is going on, my heart has been strangely warmed and my spirit greatly enthused. I can honestly say that never in my life have I been so stirred as I have been during the last few months as I have witnessed the miracles of grace wrought by the Holy Spirit in the lives of simple village Christians. I have said to myself again and again, "The age of miracles is not past." When William Carey began missionary work in India he said, "Attempt great things for God and expect great things from God." Those great things are happening right before our eyes. It is not easy to portray on paper what one sees of the transformation in the realm of the mind and spirit that Christ has wrought. It is something that is better felt than described. What happened among the slaves and serfs of Rome when St. Paul preached there is happening in Southern India at the present time.

As I move about from village to village I am almost invariably led to the edge, the outskirts of the village, that section where dwell hundreds of God's children who have been branded by Hinduism as outcasts, untouchables. It is rather a saddening, humiliating experience to think that man would create such artificial barriers between him and his brother man. The outcasts are barred from all fellowship or contact of any kind from the rest of the village people, who take pride in the fact that they are caste Hindus. Yet I have felt time and again that if Christ came to live in that village, He would choose a hut in the outcast section. He who chose the manger when He came to dwell in flesh upon the earth, could not do otherwise. And it is in this outcast section where our work begins but it does not end there. It is just a spark, a spark of the Holy Spirit, which has in it tremendous potentialities for spreading.

My first visit to the edge of one of these villages, the section that has embraced Christianity, reminded me of an incident connected with the beginnings of the British rule in India. In the early days of British occupancy, when the map of India was drawn up, the portions occupied by the British were marked red. There were only a few small spots of red here and there. A man, Ranjit Singh by name, looked at this map and prophesied, "All will become red one day." As I see the little colonies here and there of the despised outcasts who have accepted Christ, some prophetic instinct within me says, "All will become Christian one day." Yes, great things are happening which point in that direction.

The Indian Jatra

I wonder if you have ever heard anything about the Indian Jatra. A Jatra is a Hindu religious festival which has been christened for purposes of giving our new converts something that would not be foreign to them, yet at the same time distinctly Christian in its meaning and message and content and conducive to spiritual life. I have attended about a dozen of them and my interest in their spiritual value and effectiveness has grown tremendously.

The first one I attended was held in a mango grove by the side of a river, which is very essential for water supply. About 2,000 Christians came to be present at the Jatra. They came in procession to possess a copy of this good book. In addition to the sermons of faith, there are other messages that will inspire and strengthen the reader. The price is only \$1.00.

CHINESE AMBASSADOR PRAISES MISSIONARIES

Mr. Hee Shih, Chinese ambassador to the United States is quoted as saying: "As an unreconstructed heathen, I wish to pay my respects to all the Christian missionary workers, Protestant or Catholic, who have aided China during these years of China's war of resistance to aggression. Throughout these years many of the missions have lost their property and have suffered casualties in personnel. Their women workers have been sent away and have suffered great indignities, physical hardships and misery because of wartime troubles.

"But as far as I know, no missionary worker has deserted his post whether he be a member of the Mission for Lepers or a medical missionary or a teacher in a mission school. Their missions have become centers of refuge for thousands, and in some cases for tens of thousands, of Chinese civilian sufferers, particularly women, children, and the aged.

"It is this spirit of service, this devotion to work, this sympathy for the cause of China's independence and freedom that has won for them the warm admiration, high respect and love of the Chinese people. And I sincerely believe that it is not proselytizing, but this truly religious spirit of service that will continue to win the sympathy and support of the entire Chinese nation for the Christian missions in all the years to come."—Exchange.

cession, singing Christian songs, beating their drums and holding their Christian banner aloft on a bamboo pole, which to their non-Christian neighbors, was a symbol of their new-found faith.

For two nights we were entertained with abundance of singing and drum beating, from 5:00 a. m. till past midnight.

One night the district superintendent showed a moving picture on the life of Christ.

Another night the village people staged a drama on the life of Job which began at 11:00 p. m. and finished at 3:00 a. m.

During the day we had devotional meetings, Bible contests, adult literacy tests, sports, singing contests and other features calculated to promote higher standards of intellectual and spiritual life.

During those two day and nights, people slept very little. It was a most orderly, reverent, worshipful and well behaved crowd. I never saw a cigarette lit anywhere. It was very unusual considering that these people come from a social set where drinking and smoking and other bad habits have wrought havoc in their community. The Jatra to me was a remarkable illustration of the transformation which comes to human life when it surrenders to Jesus.—Arkansas Methodist.

IF you suffer monthly
FEMALE PAIN
which makes you
WEAK, CRANKY
Nervous—

If you're annoyed at such times by headaches, cramps, backache, distress of "irregularities," a bloated feeling, periods of the blues—due to functional monthly disturbances—try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. This effective medicine not only helps relieve monthly pain but also tired, nervous feelings due to this cause. Lydia Pinkham's Compound is one medicine you can buy today made especially for women—taken regularly it helps build up resistance against such symptoms. Follow label directions. Worth trying!

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MISSION STUDY RALLIES -- Hendon M. Harris

From February 15 to 19, Mrs. Harris and I were at the Baptist Church at Water Valley. There was good interest and fine fellowship with Pastor W. C. Howard and his flock. After an address at Belzoni on Friday, I left for Pensacola, Florida, for a week's work. My brother, Wilson Harris, is Chairman of the Finance Committee of the First Church of Pensacola. Pastor Wallace Rogers of Pensacola was formerly pastor of First Church, Vicksburg. This is a strong church with a vigorous program.

From Pensacola, I went to Tampa, Florida, where in five churches, I made fourteen talks and addresses. The weather was adverse, but the work was well organized. Everywhere there is intense interest in China and the Far East.

On Friday, February 25th, Mrs. Harris spoke twice at Star, Miss., at the W.M.U. Association meeting.

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OUR LITTLE DIME

We spend a little money for thing, I will admit—
Some things we take a fancy to, we do not need a bit.
It may be just a lemonade, a soda, or a lime,
But when we get inside a church, it's hard to give a dime.

We go out for a picnic and rent a boat all day
To fish or row around the lake and drive our cares away.
But when we get inside a church, and sitting in a pew,
We think how much we spent this week; we guess a dime will do.

We're glad to pay a dollar to get a real good laugh,
And for a little lunch each day we gladly give a half.
But when we get inside a church we're thinking all the time,
What a great thing we are doing when we drop our little dime.

Perhaps we play a little bridge or give a little tea,
It surely costs us something whate'er the case may be.
We don't seem to worry, we don't seem to care
Providing when we get to church we have a dime to spare.

So long as we are living, we have nothing to fear,
But it starts a person thinking, when the end of life draws near,
And I wonder if our conscience will not smite us at the gate,
Or is heaven only worth the dime we put upon the plate?

—Charles A. Wing in The Baptist.

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"Father," said a small boy, "what is a scientist?"
"A scientist, my son, is a man who tells you something you always knew, in such long words that you fail to recognize it."

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WILL CONDUCT SONG PERIODS



FRED SCHOLFIELD

All attendants upon the sessions of the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, Clinton, March 23-26, inclusive, will rejoice in the fact that the services of Mr. Fred Scholfield, singer, First Baptist Church, Laurel, have been secured in conducting the song periods throughout the Conference.

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SOLDIER SERVES CHRIST AND COUNTRY

(Every parent should read the following letter from a Christian soldier, who has not let the temptations of army life engulf him. This young man's name is Lawrence Wigington, and he is stationed in the Canal Zone. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Wigington, Prentiss, Miss. He is a member of the Mt. Zion Church of Simpson county. He lives on R.F.D. from Prentiss.)

Canal Zone

Dearest Friend,

I was more than glad to get the nice letter that you wrote me. A letter of understanding like you wrote me helps me more than anything else. I've never known but two ways that a man can get encouragement and that is through God's Word and from your friends.

You were right when you said I would be tried by so many temptations. I've been through every kind of temptation that could possibly be thought of since I've been in the army. I've been laughed at because I would not go out with women and scorned at because I thought too much of myself to drink. But do you think that I let those things worry me? No—I just let people talk as much as they like without letting it have any effect on me. I pity the people that are throwing their lives away. I'll never forget the talk that our colonel made to us when we were leaving Camp Craft, S. C. The words that were most impressed on my mind were these: "Wherever you go, don't forget to write your mother. Don't start drinking and before you speak to a woman, first ask yourself this question: Would she do to take in my mother's house?" I wish that every boy would take that advice like I did. There is not much use for a boy to try to help another in an Army Camp, because he has too many odds against him. I wish I could come back and hear Preacher Benton preach again. I've been to Catholic Services a few times since I've been in the Army, but somehow I don't understand their way of worshipping God. We don't have any real Baptist Chaplains. I didn't know how much good I was getting out of going to Church until I was taken away from it.

My mother sent me a clipping out of the newspaper concerning the other letter I wrote you. It was nice to have such good things said about me. I don't think I deserve so much, but still things like that make me try so much harder

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION On Temperance Lesson For Teachers and Classes

What Men and Women Are Drinking

"Alcohol is a habit forming narcotic, depressant, poisonous drug." Dr. J. M. Sullivan, noted chemist, of Millsaps College, in a "Statement Concerning Alcohol," writes: "To the chemist it is well-known that alcohol is a poison; that it is an anesthetic, a narcotic . . . and when taken into the human system, even in moderate quantities, prompt and deleterious effect is shown. . . . Grain alcohol is known to the chemist as ethyl alcohol and, in a standard text on 'Detection of Poisons' it is classed among 'volatile' poisons with carbolic acid, chloroform, nitrobenzene, aniline, acetone, and others." If the statement of this widely-known chemist is true, it is as sensible and reasonable from the standpoint of chemistry to drink diluted chloroform or carbolic acid as it is to drink alcoholic liquors.

Alcohol when taken into the human body produces intoxication—a toxic (poisoned) condition.

Extent to Which Men and Women Are Drinking

In 1940 the Nation drank more than 1,800,000,000 gallons of alcoholic liquor, of which more than 1,600,000,000 gallons was beer and other malt liquors. The Nation drank more than 82,000,000 gallons of alcohol in beer, one-third more alcohol in beer than in all distilled liquors.

In 1941 Mississippi drank 5,536,145 gallons of beer (State Tax Commission) containing 276,807 gallons of alcohol. The quantity drank would fill 59,052,213 twelve-ounce bottles. At a low average retail price of twelve and one-half cents a bottle, the cost was \$7,381,516.63. The amount of revenue, not including privilege tax, was FIFTY-NINE CENTS per capita.

While the Brewers and Mississippi Beer Distributors Committee advertise that Mississippi has 2,200 beer retailers, records in the Department of Internal Revenue show that 3398 individuals or firms have bought (in the present Fiscal Year) Federal Stamps (License) permitting sale of beer. Of the total number 1794 are for beer only, and 1604 are for all alcoholic liquor—beer, wine, distilled liquors. A number of beer licenses have been sold in counties which have voted beer out.

Beer-drinking is on the increase in Mississippi. Year by year the volume has increased. Beer-drinking is the beginning of the drink habit, and beer is the most dangerous form of alcoholic liquor. It is the "snake without the rattle." The measure of respectability given the beer traffic makes it all the more dangerous. Let's not be deceived by any advertised "clean up or close up campaigns." Outlawing is the only effective method of dealing with the liquor business.

N. S. JACKSON, Supt.,

Mississippi Anti-Saloon League.

*The beer drunk contained 276,807 gallons of alcohol.

to live up to what you all think of me, and live closer to God.

I don't know what the future holds for me during the war but I'm hoping to come through it all with perfect health like I have now. I want to be a better help for Mt. Zion in the future than I have been in the past. Take care of yourself and write me again soon.

A true friend,

LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ALIEN IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

By virtue of the President's proclamation of January 14, 1942, the Department of Justice has embarked on a nationwide program for issuing Certificates of Identification to aliens of enemy nationalities.

This program differs from the Alien Registration of 1940 in two important respects: (1) Only aliens of German, Italian or Japanese nationality are now required to obtain Certificates of Identification, whereas all aliens had to register in 1940, and (2) the Certificate of Identification must at all times be carried by the alien whereas there was no such requirement as to the receipt card issued in the alien registration of 1940.

Aliens of German, Italian or Japanese nationality 14 years of age or over must apply for Certificates of Identification at the first-class, second-class, or county seat post office nearest their place of residence. Aliens unavoidably absent from their place of residence during the application period may file application in the appropriate post office in the district in which they are temporarily located. Failure to make application within the prescribed time subjects the alien to severe penalties, including internment for the duration of the war.

Special consideration has been given by the Department of Justice to alien with physical disabilities. Thus, the aged or infirm who are confined to homes, asylums and institutions need not file applications as long as they remain confined. Also, those who are temporarily bed-ridden are allowed a period of five days after their recovery in which to file application for Certificates of Identification but such persons must notify their postmaster of their illness during the application period. This notification should state the name, address, alien registration receipt card number, age, nationality, nature of the illness and its probable duration. The statement should be accompanied by a doctor's certificate.

Enemy aliens under 14 years of age need not apply at this time. However, they must apply immediately upon their reaching the age of 14.

The Certificate of Identification must be carried by the alien at all times. It will be of great value to its owner. It will identify him as one who has complied with the law and given evidence of his peaceful disposition. It will also facilitate the issuance of travel permits, passes, and other exemptions which may be granted from time to time in accordance with existing rules or regulations.

As stated by Attorney General Biddle: "The objective of the Department of Justice in issuing certificates to aliens of enemy nationalities is the dual one of strengthening our internal safety and protecting the loyal alien, even if he has become technically an alien enemy."

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By
BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson for March 8 DISCOVERING WHY PEOPLE DRINK BEVERAGE ALCOHOL

Bible Texts: Gen. 43:34; Psalm 104:14,15;
Prov. 31:4-7; Ecclesiastes 2:1-3;
Isaiah 56:12; I Cor. 10:6-7.

I. The Case of Joseph. Gen. 43:34.

You know the story of Jacob's favorite son, Joseph, of the envy and hatred of Joseph's brothers, jealousy and envy and hatred which led them to sell Joseph into slavery, in which state he was marched into Egypt and sold to Potiphar, captain of the King's guard, in whose household Joseph prospered through the favor of the Lord, till an evil day on which Joseph had resisted an enticement to sin and was made the victim of a false accusation by his master's wife and was thrown into prison, where the Lord continued to favor him and whence the Lord delivered him to make him Prime Minister of Egypt, the greatest kingdom of his day. You recall the story of Joseph's preparation of Egypt for the famine which overtook all the land at the end of the seven years of plenty, of the coming of Joseph's brothers the first time, and of their return on their second journey to Egypt for food, and of their bringing Benjamin, Joseph's own full brother, with them, and of the marked favor with which Joseph, who was unknown at this point to his brothers, treated Benjamin. Joseph gave Benjamin abundant food, and gave him wine as well. Benjamin and his brothers drank of the wine that Joseph gave, took "the cup that cheers, but not inebriates," "Drank and were merry with him," became in a slight measure intoxicated. So what? The fact that his great brother gave Benjamin wine, and that he and his brothers drank it, no more proves a point that the Bible teaches the drinking of spirituous drinks and that the Almighty approves such drinking than the fact that Jacob had two wives proves that the Bible sanctions and the Lord approves the practice of polygamy.

II. God's Provision for Man's Enjoyment. Psalm 104:14-15.

In God's provision for the lowliest creature, He is caring for man; because He made man to have dominion over all His creatures and to subdue them to His use. Divine power is as surely and worthily put forth in the provisions for beasts as in the feeding and nurture of man. See you not in a blade of grass the fashioning hand of God? Behold you not in the cattle on a thousand hills

an exhibition of the power of God to create and to preserve? And remember that man produces nothing: God is the husbandman, God is the producer.

"And wine that maketh glad the heart of man," tells us that God is the giver of it. Of course God is the cause of wine as He is the cause of everything else that exists, if you hold Him responsible for every effect. Say, then, God fired the luxury-liner Lafayette, the erstwhile "Normandie," because God created fire and likewise all the combustibles that were consumed on that fine ship. I used to know a chap who, taking this view of God's responsibility, wrote what he called a lecture on "The Sins of God." Wine has its legitimate use, no doubt; also have morphine, opium, and strychnine; but woe to the man or the nation which becomes enslaved to any one of them.

III. God's Warning to Rulers. Prov. 31:4-7

Who was this king Lemuel, and who was his wise mother? We do not know, but Solomon, the wisest man of all the ancients, closes the book of Proverbs with her words of sober counsel to her son. This wise woman lived in a king's court and, hence, well knew from first hand the temptations which beset the pathway of a king, and how utterly worthless and useless his life could become when he became the slave of indulgence in strong drink. In the drunken mind, little things of minor importance swell into proportions of seeming greatness, and the things which are really great take on an appearance of comparative unimportance. To the mind befuddled by alcohol the wrong appears right and the right appears wrong, the scales of justice are turned in the wrong direction, and justice is outraged in her own court.

IV. The Deceitfulness of Strong Drink. Isaiah 56:12.

Memory goes back over the years to a stag picnic at which one man became so intoxicated that he offered to give away a piano, a banjo, and a violin. I am convinced he did not own one of them. You have seen the poor dupe of drink who from thinking of himself as poor thought of himself as increasingly wealthy as he progressed from one degree of drunkenness to a still lower one, while he remained as poor as he was when he began to drink, until he was offering to lend any sum of money to anybody on any condition at all.

"Tomorrow shall be as this day, and much more abundant." (Isaiah 56:12). "This is a call of boon companions to new revelry. They are part of the prophet's picture of a corrupt age when the men of influence and position had thrown away their sense of duty, and had given themselves over to mere luxury and soft living. They, are summoning one another to their coarse orgies. The roystering speaker says, 'Do not be afraid to drink; the cellar will hold out. Today's carousal will not empty it; there will be enough for tomorrow.' He forgets tomorrow's headaches; he forgets that on some tomorrow the wine will be finished; he forgets that the fingers of a hand may write the doom of the rioters on the walls of the banquetting chamber. . . . These coarse revellers into whose lips our text it put only meant by it to brave the future and defy tomorrow in the riot of their drunkenness."—Alexander MacLaren.

I have tried in vain a thousand ways to find one legitimate excuse for the habitual indulgence in alcoholic drink. That it may in certain case of sickness prove medicinal is possibly true; good physicians affirm and just as good deny this. But that the habitual indulgence in the drinking of it as a beverage is ever attended by aught but ill, I have never seen the slightest proof. On the other hand, its habitual use first dims, then darkens, then damns. It blights and injures internally, externally, and eternally. If you get the best of liquor

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. T. U. ATTENDANCE

Calvary, Jackson	991	201
Wallerville	92	55
Louisville	307	85
Edgefield (Attala)	55	
Bethlehem (Choctaw)	10	
Crystal Springs	343	75
Griffith, Jackson	680	270
Sunflower	78	
Double Springs (Webster)	54	
Calvary, Tupelo	308	91
West Side, Natchez	91	
Bruce	42	
Calvary, Greenwood	119	50
Burnsville	36	31
Ellisville	147	
Highland, Meridian	253	
Vicksburg First	439	100
Bethany (Sunflower) Feb. 22	72	
Ellison Ridge (Winston)		
Feb. 22	100	
Eden, Feb. 22	31	20
West Side, Natchez, Feb. 22	87	
Antioch (Attala) Feb. 22	6	
Bethlehem (Jones) Feb. 22	69	104
Double Springs (Webster)		
Feb. 22	30	
Monte Vista, Feb. 22	47	39
Ludlow, Feb. 22	97	69
Olive Branch, Feb. 22	80	56

BR BAPTIST FOUNDATION COMMITTEE MEETS

The Baptist Foundation Committee met in Jackson on March second. Reports from the various Baptist Institutions and agencies were presented and studied. After a round-table discussion, a sub-committee was appointed to appear before the Board of Trustees of Baptist Institutions and the Executive Committee of the Convention Board to present the findings of the larger committee on Baptist Foundation and to ascertain their reaction to the same.

C. J. OLANDER, Secretary.

It will get the best of you and debauch the best of you. If you get the worst of liquor, it will make the worst of you. The liquor traffic is the blood-sucking leech among the industries. It coins buzzard dollars to lay on the closed, glazed eyes of nation's dead conscience. As you can not run a sawmill without logs, a grist mill without grain, or a rock-crusher without rocks, you can not run a place where alcoholic drinks are sold without turning boys into drunken debauchees and girls into drunkards' wives. There is not a flower in the hat of a liquor dealer's wife that did not cost the roses in some other woman's face. There is not a flashing diamond in the shirtfront of a bartender or a brewer, but it cost the jewels of childhood from some American home. The whole system of extracting revenue from the tears and wants of the poor and helpless bears upon it finger prints of blood and the eternal curse of God.

I know not how better to close this article than by copying the words of an unknown who said, "Look not upon it." "The only absolutely safe way to deal with this woeful cup is to leave it alone. 'Look not upon it.' Give it a wide berth. Have nothing to do with it. No child was ever burned by a fire which he kept a safe distance away from. No one was ever poisoned by strychnine which he did not let inside his blood system. No one was ever drowned in a river he did not go near; or ever became involved in a fight with a man of whom he fought shy.

"Look not upon it." Avoid it as you would a python's coils. Stay away from it as you would from the coiled rattlesnake's darting head. Handle it as David did the giant whom he killed at long range. Learn a lesson from this sign which some carpenters placed against a set of doorsteps leading into a saloon, steps which they were repairing, and which, they being unable to complete the job in a day, placarded with this sign: 'Mind the first step.'

DR. R. K. CORDER



Pastor, First Baptist Church
Philadelphia, Miss.

CHURCH SCHOOL OF MISSIONS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Philadelphia, Miss. March 9 to 13 PROGRAM

Daily:

- 5:00 to 5:45 P. M.—Classes for Young People. Teacher, Mrs. J. H. Ware, Missionary.
- 7:30 P. M.—Class for Men. Teacher, Dr. Roswell Owens, Missionary.
- 8:15 p. m.—Class for Women. Teacher, Miss Fannie Traylor.
- 8:15—Missionary Messages, by Missionaries.
- 9:00—Inspirational Messages by the following:
 - Monday Night—A. L. Goodrich, Editor, Baptist Record.
 - Tuesday Night—E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary
 - Wednesday Night—Miss Fannie Traylor, State W. M. U. Secretary.
 - Thursday Night—Judge Percy Lee.
 - Friday Night—D. A. McCall, State Mission Secretary.

Miss Fannie Traylor, W. M. U. State Secretary, will be with us for the week, assisting the pastor, and visiting other churches in the Association.

—BR—

The pupils were directed to write compositions of about 300 words, and the subject given was "The Funniest Thing I Ever Saw." The teacher noticed that Tommie had finished writing in a few seconds. She took his paper and read: "The funniest thing I ever saw is too funny for words."

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THE PREACHER'S TEMPTATIONS

(The gist of a paper read by Rev. H. D. Wilson at Pinellas County St. Petersburg, Fla., Baptist Ministerial Association. Published by request of the Association.)

It seems to this pastor this subject may be discussed with interest and profit to all. To catch attention we use some terms which are rather fanciful, and withal inadequate, to express the full meaning of the matters discussed. We name them as temptations to fall supine, to recline, or shine, to whine, and to decline or resign.

1. The term supine means to fall down, to lie flat on the back. It is here used in the sense of falling into moral lapse. The preacher is human, mere man, and is subject to like passions as other men. We specify here only two sins into which a few preachers have fallen. Occasionally a pastor has yielded to the temptation to go into some business as a side line, and becomes entangled with worldly affairs. It is of doubtful wisdom for a minister to enter any sort of business, especially so, if there is an element of speculation in it. Such a business will sooner or later cripple his influence as a spiritual leader. Also it may well be said that for a pastor to handle any local church funds is unwise. Misunderstandings in such matters is not unknown. Note 2 Timothy 2:4.

However, the danger point towards which a few preachers have gravitated disastrously, and which is especially sad, is an entanglement with some winsome woman. Unfortunate, unthinkable, tragical, ruinous indeed it is for a preacher to slip and fall supinely into moral weakness. More than once have we read in glaring headlines in the daily papers that Reverend So-and-So has been asked to resign, or alas! has been arrested, on charges involving moral turpitude. Enterprising news gatherers never fail to note that said sinner is a preacher. The fall of one minister of the gospel into sin hurts the cause of Christ more than the same sin confessed by a dozen inactive church members. Paul must have had this peril in mind when he wrote I Corinthians 9:27. Perhaps any one of us might call to mind the sad case of some pulpiteer falling from his high estate, being lured into the net of some intriguing woman. The pastor comes into personal contact with more men and women—especially women—than any other leader or worker in the community. He should, therefore, be as wise as a serpent and as harmless as a dove.

While we have the gospel message as a precious jewel in earthen vessels we should never permit them to become

cracked or grimy vessels. Let us remember that the devil is still going to and fro in the earth inciting men and women to suspicion, gossip, hate and lust. Let us "abstain from all appearances of evil."

2. Next we notice the temptation to recline, to take things easy, to let them ride, to follow the line of least resistance, to rest over-much, to fail of diligence,—to be lazy. The duties in a pastorate are multitudinous and complex; some times weighty and baffling; yet there are few places to rest, and no place to lounge around. Indeed, any rest, even a vacation, often occasions back-slidings among the church members. We must be on the job seven days a week. Remember Paul's admonition.—I Timothy 4:13-16, and 2 Timothy 2:15.

3. The third temptation is to shine, to seek for place and power in the Kingdom. Perhaps all of us have more or less the ambition of James and John, to sit, one on the right hand and the other on the left of Jesus in His Kingdom. Too few of us are willing to take the lower place of service, to wash the disciples' feet. We want to be chairman of the committee, or moderator, or president of the assembly. Sad to say, it is not unknown that some preachers have played politics to be elected to prominent places in our denominational affairs. It is to be feared also that men have been put on programs in denominational meetings, not for the value of the message they might bring, but rather with the hope that the wealthy church they represent may be enlisted in the support of some financial program. It is this scribe's studied and candid opinion that there is far too much professionalism in our ministry. In Baptist church polity all believers are supposed to be priests unto God, with equal standing before God and in the church; but in practice it has not always worked out that way. Sad it is that spiritual leaders should ever be motivated by worldly ideals, or led into worldly methods. It is unthinkable that Baptist churches in the same city or the same association should have among them the spirit of rivalry or of jealousy. As pastors and church leaders our primary concern should be for the progress of the Kingdom and the glory of our Lord, and not for the glory of our individual churches. It seems, too, that we have not yet learned that life and power came through sacrifice—suffering and death.

4. The fourth temptation is—to whine. Here some lesser fall. We deal with very imperfect men and women, who are not always fair to the pastor; yea, some times neglect him. Some times the minister must travel a rocky road; and is tempted to be irritated and impatient. Nevertheless, to fall into the habit of whining or nagging is unwise, even disastrous. It gains nothing but impatience and protests, and irritation on the part of the congregation. It fails in the home and in the church. We have seen several examples of its bitter fruits. It is necessary some times to rebuke and correct; but let it be done sympathetically, tactfully, and sparingly. Better preach a positive doctrine, and make positive appeals for righteous living and consecrated service.

5. The last temptation named is, to decline or resign, to quit, to surrender before difficulties. All Kingdom work is difficult, in the sense of being against nature. Yes, workers in the spiritual realm must contend against the world, the flesh and the devil. It is like lifting against gravitation. The devil never sleeps; and people easily drift; drifting is always down grade. Men and women beset by human frailties so often disappoint the anxious pastor. People who claim to love the Lord so often become entangled with the world. Some who, by every right and reason may be expected to co-operate with the pastor, and stand shoulder to shoulder with him in his labors for the Master, in his fight against sin, fall him in the hour of conflict. Many church members seem to

SCOTCHIE SETS OUT HIS HOOKS

Every member of the Baptist Board, recently received "the Testament for Fishers of Men" as a gift from our Executive Secretary, Bro. D. A. McCall. Our Secretary could not have placed in the hands of the Board members a greater challenge. I believe when the Lord strikes us with fire we should say so. When my eyes fell upon the gift my heart was lifted up; it was the Lord's word. A desire was kindled to go out and read it to others. Already the Word has touched the bier, joined the petitions of Wednesday evening prayer service, talked to the blind, consoled Rachel weeping for her sons that Herod and Hitler are trying to destroy. This volume of God's Word has walked the ploughed furrow, silenced the carpenter's hammer, spoken to the fevered brow, encouraged the discouraged, put to rout the stooges of Satan, spoken to the backslider and warned the wicked.

I wish to challenge the fine membership of our Board, to reset the sixty-six books of this book, in some brook of life, until each book has made a catch, and bring or send to the Board meeting next year reports of sixty-six souls who have accepted Christ; if not sixty-six, as many as He will give you. If you accept the challenge, drop me a postal card.—Collins, Miss., Box 367.

Yours for Christ and men,
MACK JONES, Pastor,
Collins Baptist Church and Board
Member for Covington County.

have no sense of responsibility to the pastor, or to the church. Because of these things we can well understand the feelings of Paul when he remarked about his weariness and sufferings and said, "Beside all those things that are without, that which comes upon me daily, the care of all the churches."—2 Cor. 11:28. That word care is significant. It means love, concern and labor—and disappointment. Because of these experiences the earnest, anxious pastor may find occasion to sit with Elijah under the Juniper tree praying that he might die, imagining conditions are worse than they are. Our constant source of strength and hope must be in the knowledge of His presence and care, and the assured victory of His Kingdom. And yet further in the memory and knowledge of His presence and care, and the assured victory of his Kingdom. And yet further in the memory and knowledge of our divine call to the ministry. Our rescue from the slough of despond may often be found in the memory of the day when His voice called unto our hearts, "Depart, for I will send thee far hence unto the Gentiles." Let us find the bulwark against every temptation and strength for every task in the fact "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith: who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."—Hebrews 12:1-2.

—BR—
"I'm a self-made man."
"You are lucky. I am the revised work of a wife and three daughters."—Stray Stories.

SPAIN PERSECUTES PROTESTANTISM

In contrast to the favored position enjoyed by Roman Catholicism in Germany and all fascist dictator countries, is the sad plight of Protestantism in fascist Spain. With the signing of the recent agreement between the Vatican and the Franco government "to restore the Catholicism of the glorious national tradition," the last hope for freedom of religion for Protestants in Spain seems to have vanished. The same Denzil G. M. Patrick reports to The Christian Century about the persecution of Protestantism in Spain as follows:

"Two recent provisional decrees led to the immediate closing of all Protestant schools in Spain and forbade the reopening of the Protestant churches which had been closed during the civil war. All notices outside the churches had to be taken away. At present, Protestant services can be held at about eight places whereas more than 200 churches and chapels have been shut. The Protestant edition of the Bible may not be sold any longer. Stocks of the British and Foreign Bible Society in Madrid were confiscated and destroyed. The fact that Catholic instruction is compulsory in all schools and that attendance at mass is obligatory for all soldiers, state officials and invalids in hospitals, exercises great pressure on the Protestants. Economic difficulties must be added to all this. Some of the Protestant pastors have had to flee, especially those who were once Catholic. Some have been able to find humble work to do in Spain, but most are in deep distress. They have no support from abroad and do not dare to apply to the relief organizations. The pastors in the village congregations are closely watched. They are forbidden to visit the former members of their congregations."

Here is ample proof of what is taught by Catholic officials even in the United States, namely, that in Protestant countries with Catholic minorities, the Catholic church claims the right to full liberty of action and propaganda, but in Catholic countries is justified in denying that liberty to Protestant minorities.—The Converted Catholic.

*Cf. The State and the Church, Ryan & Miller, p. 38.

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YET MORE GOOD NEWS

J. E. Dillard

Up to February 15, Baptist Hundred Thousand Club Day, the receipts through the Hundred Thousand Club paid upon the principal of the debts of the South-wide agencies have been sufficient to pay the salaries of 1942 foreign missionaries for a whole year, or to pay the salary of one missionary from the time of Christ down to the present year. Aren't you glad you had a part?

Pastor E. E. Fields of Leesville, Louisiana, writes, "Our church increased her gifts to the Hundred Thousand Club a little over 900% over the same month in 1941. Many more are joining this month. Your coming was a blessing."

Pastor P. B. Baldridge of Lanett, Alabama, writes, "Our quota (one club member for each 25 church members) was 40. We secured 41 and think we shall get more."

Mrs. W. T. Caldwell, chairman, Hundred Thousand Club of the Baptist Church, Vivian, Louisiana, writes, "Our pastor preached on paying our debts. ... Result, 15 new members, making a total of 32. Cash offering \$135.46 plus one centennial membership, grand total, \$1,822.85."

First Baptist Church of Miami, Oklahoma, enrolls 131 memberships in the Hundred Thousand Club, T. W. Medearis, pastor.

Pastor John H. Buchanan, Southside Church, Birmingham, writes, "Goal (1 to 25) is 169. Sunday was an extremely bad day, but we received 227 H. T. C. memberships."

Every church heard from that adopted a goal has reached or gone beyond. It certainly seems that we should have a Debtless Denomination in 1943. The Southwide debt now is less than \$2,000,000.

—BR—

IN MEMORY OF J. P. BARBER

On December 24, 1940 God called our husband and father to heaven. He had spent his life in devotion to his family, church and community. He was a devout Christian, a member of Crooked Creek Church. He was 71 years of age.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Susie Barber, and the following children: Mrs. L. P. Lee, Bogalusa, La.; Mrs. H. D. Walker, Diboll, Texas; Mrs. G. A. Blair, M. E. Barber and J. L. Barber, all of New Hebron, Mississippi. He is also survived by 19 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.—By Wife and Family.

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A SCHOOL OF NURSING

If we are to have competent nurses, we must provide for the development, guidance, and efficiency of those who would choose this glorious profession. A nurse not only needs natural ability, The best method of training one who is to serve the sick is through the inspiration of the scientific and practical teaching of a school of nursing. It is well for one to grow up in an institution and on into its life. Surely there is something valuable in the traditions, the spirit and the comradeship of a great organization.

An Accredited School

So from the beginning Baptist Memorial Hospital has maintained a school of nursing. It has grown in efficiency, scope, and influence. This school is accredited by the American Nurses Association, and the American College of Surgeons. It is also accredited by the Tennessee Board of Nurse Examiners. It gives a sound, professional education necessary to the practice of nursing in the home, the hospital, or the community.

Opportunities are open to the graduates of the school for private duty, public health, Red Cross, the army and the navy, positions as staff nurses, head nurses, supervisors, and instructors, administrators in the schools of nursing, teachers of nursing and health in schools and colleges. Our alumnae are also eligible for courses in anesthesia, air and train stewardess work. Other branches of work are open to nurses who are graduates in good standing of accredited schools of nursing.

Qualifications

It is necessary to emphasize the qualifications for entrance into the school. Those who apply must be young ladies from 18 to 30 years of age, must have good health, good character, a high school education and strong personality. They must come endorsed by a physician and a pastor. Denominational lines are not strongly indicated, but there must be reverence, good conduct, along with other principles of the Christian religion. It is unfortunate for a young girl to enter the hospital who is lacking in ability and stability.

Students Who Have Been Married Are
Not Admitted

The school reserves the right at any time to discontinue the course of any student who fails to make satisfactory grades, or who is unable to develop qualities of character necessary in the profession of nursing. Those who make recommendations are urged to remember these conditions. The school is a challenge for young women of vision and ability. The calling is high and holy. The field of service is unlimited

MADISON FLOWERS



Brother Madison Flowers, pastor, Goodman Baptist Church, will appear in a dual role at the Evangelistic Conference, bringing a message as part of a Father and Son hour, and as part of a preaching hour.

IN SERVICE OF COUNTRY

The following members of the First Baptist church of Canton are in the service of our country. Pray for these boys daily. They will not fail us—let us not fail them:

L. S. Thompson, Jr., Milton Farrell, Ray Sandridge, Earl Quinn, Earl Branigan, James Branigan, Edward Branigan, James Shepherd, George Shepherd, Lonnie Goolsby, Lacy Goolsby, Ralph West, James Fox, James Bunyard.

James Luter, Wilkes Berry, Charles Boswell, Leslie Evans, Hillard Martin, Joseph Smith-Vaniz, Tom Tucker, Ernest Meek, Otho Mabry, James Cloud, George Long, Jack Lee, James Dawley.

—BR—

GO THOU AND DO LIKEWISE

Blue Springs, Mississippi
February 22, 1942.

Mr. Fred R. Langley
Box 530
Jackson, Mississippi
Dear Sir:

In your letter of February 11, 1942, you asked a question, "Do we care?"

Being an ex-soldier myself, and a disabled one at that, I say, "Yes, we care," and I think it is a great plan to do this work. I took it up with my people today and am glad to say we are going to send \$5.00 per month to this wonderful cause beginning in March sometime after the first Sunday.

Your friend,

T. E. LEACH.

in its possibilities.

Varied Activities of Religious
Department

The religious department is progressing, and it is believed that with the help of God it will have an ever enlarging opportunity.

Our beautiful Chapel, equipped with an organ and comfortable seats, is perhaps one of the most interesting spots in our institution. Many inquire as to the Chapel activities. Daily the student nurses meet in this room for a roll call and devotional service. On Monday evening a Prayer Service is conducted by the Chaplain.

There are other religious activities in our school under the direction of an active Baptist Student Union: A Grace McBride Y.W.A., a Bible Study Class, with accompanying activities. The B.S.U. encourages interest and participation in the Training Union and other activities of our local Churches.

The Baptist Student Secretary assists the student nurses in their religious activities.

An annual revival meeting of a week's duration is conducted in the Hospital Chapel. Our next revival will be conducted by Professor Chester Swor of Mississippi College.

ARMED FORCES CHALLENGING
SOUTHERN BAPTISTS—
CHAPLAINS ARE NEEDED

By Alfred Carpenter

Superintendent of Camp Work—Baptist Home Mission Board

A request for 500 well-qualified chaplains by the end of 1943 is indicative of the need which must be met by Southern Baptists. This is another missionary opportunity for our churches and soul-winning privilege for this many eligible pastors.

Recently the Army asked for 103 chaplains. Sufficient endorsements are in hand to supply this request. The Navy asked for eight chaplains. This need was supplied in ten days. Our pastors are responding heroically. They must do so increasingly if the need is to be supplied.

"Trust the Lord and Tell the People"

Three hundred forty-five chaplains on duty by the close of 1942 is Southern Baptists' responsibility. Five hundred by the close of 1943 is our challenge. To accomplish this we must have, in addition to those now on duty and those endorsed recently, reasonably assured of appointment, 100 additional chaplains by the close of 1942. To assure this we must endorse at least 15 per month for the next 10 months. In addition, we need by the close of this year, an additional 155 commissioned chaplains ready for appointment to start the year 1943.

"Trust the Lord and Tell the People"

During the months ahead each individual, home, business or other enterprise, will be affected and must adjust themselves to an all-out war effort. Our churches will not escape this experience. Should they not lead the way? Of our 25,018 churches, how many will be among the 500 to release their pastors for the duration? Thereby they will contribute to the greatest soul-winning missionary opportunity ever offered our churches. An encouraging word to the pastors may direct their thoughts in this channel.

This is not a call to duty nor to patriotism, as noble as these are, but rather a call to a soul-winning missionary opportunity and should be in response to the Holy Spirit.

—BR—

Visitor: What year's this for you?

Firstie: Fifth.

Visitor: Taking you master's?

Firstie: Naw. Just takin' my time.

—BR—

Teacher: "Give me a sentence with an object."

Boy: "Teacher, you are very beautiful."

Teacher: "What is the object?"

Boy: "A good mark."

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